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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Town Clerk	JEAN A. SMITH	☎ 795-2535
Office Hours:	Monday	9:00 - 12:30 4:30 - 6:30
	Wednesday	9:00 - 12:30 4:30 - 6:30
	Friday	9:00 - 12:30

School Board Meetings	2nd Thursday evening each month at 7:30
Selectmen's Meetings	All Friday mornings at 9:30

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TOWN OFFICERS COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEMBERS

Town Moderator (Elected 2-year term)

DAVID WASHBURN	Term expires	1997
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Selectmen (Elected 3-year term)

JUDITH LEE SHELNUTT BROTMAN, Chairman	Term expires	1997
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RICHARD G. JONES	Term expires	1998
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DONALD deJ. CUTTER	Term expires	1999
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Town Clerk (Elected 3-year term)

JEAN SMITH	Term expires	1997
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Town Treasurer (Elected 3-year term)

LUANE COLE	Term expires	1998
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Tax Collector (Elected 3-year term)

JOANNE COBURN	Term expires	1998
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Overseer of Public Welfare (Elected 1-year term)

KENNETH ELDER	Term expires	1997
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Road Agent (Elected 1-year term)

FRED STEARNS III	Term expires	1997
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Supervisors of the Check List (Elected 6-year term)

ALBERT PUSHEE	Term expires	1998
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BERNARD TULLAR SR.	Term expires	2000
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RUSSELL R BALCH	Term expires	2002
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Trustees of the Trust Funds (Elected 3-year term)

FREDERICK PHILLIPS	Term expires	1997
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WARREN GOLDBURGH	Term expires	1998
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ELLEN B. BARRETT	Term expires	1999
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Cemetery Commission (Elected 3-year term)

JUDITH D. WAGNER	Term expires	1997
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WILLIAM DESCH	Term expires	1998
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EARL F. STROUT	Term expires	1999
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Sexton (Elected 1-year term)

WILLIAM LaBOMBARD	Term expires	1997
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Budget Committee (Elected 3-year term)

STEPHEN MADDOCK	Term expires	1997
SPENCER "WOODY" SIMONDS	Term expires	1997
RUTH THOMPSON	Term expires	1997
MANTON COPELAND	Term expires	1998
BENJAMIN KILHAM	Term expires	1998
STUART SMITH, Chairman	Term expires	1998
GIBBONS G. CORNWELL III	Term expires	1999
EARL STROUT	Term expires	1999
WAYNE TULLAR JR.	Term expires	1999
DONALD deJ. CUTTER		Selectman

Conservation Commission

(Appointed by Selectmen 3-year term)

CAROLA LEA	Term expires	1997
STEPHEN MADDOCK	Term expires	1997
ADAIR MULLIGAN	Term expires	1998
KATHLEEN SWIFT	Term expires	1998
JOAN GOLDBURGH, CHAIR	Term expires	1999
JUDITH WAGNER	Term expires	1999
RICHARD G. JONES		Selectman

Library Trustees (Elected 3-year term)

GREGORY GORMAN	Term expires	1997
PATRICIA HUDSON	Term expires	1997
ELISABETH SMALLIDGE, Chairman	Term expires	1997
MARGARET ACKERSON	Term expires	1998
ANDREA COLGAN	Term expires	1998
B. WAYNE TULLAR JR.	Term expires	1998
PATRICIA ERWIN PLOOG	Term expires	1999
ERIC SAUNDERS	Term expires	1999
NORMAN WAKELY	Term expires	1999
GENEVA MENGE, Librarian		

Planning Board (Elected 3-year term)

BENJAMIN KILHAM, Chairman	Term expires	1997
JOHN NORTH	Term expires	1998
FREDA SWAN	Term expires	1998
JEANIE McINTYRE	Term expires	1999
ELSIE McCARTHY		Alternate
ANTHONY PIPPIN SR.		Alternate
WILLIAM PLOOG		Alternate
JUDITH LEE SHELNUTT BROTMAN		Selectman

Recreation Committee (Elected 3-year term)

J. MARIE PIPPIN	Term expires	1997
JOHN SWEENEY (Resigned - Vacant)	Term expires	1997
MARTHA TECCA	Term expires	1997
MIKE KELLEY (Resigned - Vacant)	Term expires	1998
JACQUELINE DOUCETTE-MALCOLM	Term expires	1998
TOM SCHLENKER	Term expires	1998
THOMAS BALL	Term expires	1999
JAMES JOHNSON	Term expires	1999
WILLIAM WEEKS	Term expires	1999
DANIEL FRIEHOFFER	Recreation Director	
DONALD deJ. GUTTER	Selectman	

Zoning Board of Adjustment

(Appointed by Selectmen and Planning Board 3-year term)

WILLIAM MALCOLM	Term expires	1997
JAMES POAGE, Chairman	Term expires	1997
LANI CARNEY	Term expires	1998
WALTER SWIFT	Term expires	1998
SUSAN RYAN	Term expires	1999
NANCY SNYDER	Alternate	
(Vacant)	Alternate	

Town Health Officer

(Appointed by Selectmen, Approved by State)

THOMAS BALL

Police and Dog Control Officers (Appointed by Selectmen)

ALBERT POMEROY	Police Chief & Dog Control Officer
BENJAMIN KILHAM	Deputy Dog Control Officer

Fire Chiefs (Appointed by Selectmen)

DON ELDER	Chief
WAYNE THOMPSON	Deputy Chief

Fire Wards (Appointed by Selectmen)

DON ELDER
ARTHUR LARO

Forest Fire Wardens (Appointed by State)

ALFRED BALCH	Warden
JOHN BALCH	Deputy Warden
RONALD BALCH	Deputy Warden
DON ELDER	Deputy Warden
STEPHEN MADDOCK	Deputy Warden
JAMES NICHOLS	Deputy Warden

WILLIAM NICHOLS	Deputy Warden
BRIAN RICH	Deputy Warden
ROBERT SANBORN	Deputy Warden
ROBERT WILMOT	Deputy Warden

School District Moderator (Elected 1-year term)

DAVID WASHBURN	Term expires	1997
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School District Treasurer (Elected 1-year term)

ANTHONY LaBOMBARD	Term expires	1997
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School District Clerk (Elected 1-year term)

JEAN SMITH	Term expires	1997
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School Board (Elected 3-year term)

DALE BREED, Vice-Chairman	Term expires	1997
THOMAS KENT	Term expires	1997
JOSHUA KILHAM	Term expires	1997
TIMOTHY CALDWELL, Chairman	Term expires	1998
CAROLYNNE KRUSI	Term expires	1998
WILLIAM B. WEEKS	Term expires	1999
LISA WHITCOMB WILMOT	Term expires	1999

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

GRAFTON, SS

TOWN OF LYME

To the inhabitants of the Town of Lyme, New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the annual Town Meeting of the Town of Lyme, New Hampshire, will be held at the Lyme Community Gymnasium in the Lyme School on Tuesday, March 11, 1997, at 7:00 A.M., to act upon the following subjects:

(Polls will open for voting by ballot on Articles 1 to 15 at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 7:00 P.M., unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. The meeting will then recess until 9:15 A.M. when all other Articles will be considered at the business meeting which will start at 9:15 A.M.)

ARTICLE 1. To vote by nonpartisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

- One Selectmen to serve for a term of 3 years;
- One Town Clerk to serve for a term of 3 years;
- One Road Agent to serve for a term of 1 year;
- One Overseer of Public Welfare to serve for a term of 1 year;
- One Sexton to serve for a term of 1 year;
- One Planning Board Member to serve for a term of 3 years;
- Three Budget Committee Members to serve for a term of 3 years;
- One Trustee of Trust Funds to serve for a term of 3 years;
- One Trustee of Trust Funds to serve for a term of 1 year;
- One Cemetery Commission Member to serve for a term of 3 years;
- Three Library Trustees to serve for a term of 3 years;
- Three Recreation Committee Members to serve for a term of 3 years;
- One Recreation Committee Member to serve for a term of 1 year.

ARTICLE 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 10.50 by adding the following sentence to the end of the first paragraph:

If more than one special exception is required for a proposal, the proposal must be reviewed and found to meet the conditions of Section 10.50 for each and every special exception associated with the proposal.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article II, by adding a definition of business as follows:

Non-residential use, including but not limited to retail, service, recreational, manufacturing, professional office or clinic, and lodging accommodations, but not including institutional, agriculture or forestry use.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

A) Amend Article II, the definition of cluster development by deleting the words "lot size averaging" from the title, but not from the definition itself.

B) Amend Article II by adding a definition for lot size averaging as follows:

The ability to create lots which may not meet the minimum lot size or dimensional criteria of Table 5.1 by ensuring that the average lot size in a subdivision and the average of the dimensions of the lots in the subdivision taken together conform with the standards set forth in Table 5.1.

C) Throughout the Ordinance, replace the "/" between "cluster development" or "cluster," and "lot size averaging" with "and/or".

D) Amend Section 4.46D by adding to the end: Sites for building development shall be contained in a contiguous area no more than 25% of the lot proposed for cluster development.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

A) Delete the definition of bed and breakfast house and the listing for bed and breakfast in Table 4.1.

B) Amend Article II by adding a definition of lodging accommodations as follows:

Overnight quarters provided to transient guests, which could include as special exceptions accessory uses such as meal preparation, meal service and functions such as weddings, meetings, and reunions.

C) In all the text and tables, whenever the words "Hotel/Inn" or "Bed and Breakfast" occur, replace them with "Lodging Accommodations."

D) Add a new section:

4.56 Lodging Accommodations. A special exception review and conformance to the standards, conditions and requirements contained in Section 10.50 are required for each and every use that is proposed as accessory to lodging accommodations.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 4.65C by adding the following:

3. All new construction or substantial improvements shall be:

- i) designed (or modified) and adequately anchored to prevent floatation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy;
- ii) be constructed with materials resistant to flood damage;
- iii) be constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damage; and
- iv) be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing and air conditioning equipment, and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding.

Remove all references to the "Regulatory Floodway" and if not in conjunction with flood hazard area, replace with the words "flood hazard area."

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

A) Amend Article II by adding a definition for wireless telecommunications structure, as follows:

Any structure used in the transmission, broadcast or relay of wireless communications.

B) Add a new section, 3.258 Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District:

The boundaries of the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District are the boundaries of that area of land located within one hundred feet of the Smarts Mountain Fire Tower. The primary objective of the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District is to provide a reasonable opportunity for location of such facilities in the Town and thereby serving the following objectives:

(1) provide Lyme residents with access to wireless communications; and

(2) preserve scenic views.

C) Add Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District as a heading on Table 4.1 and add Wireless Telecommunications Structure to the list of business uses in Table 4.1

D) Add a new section: 4.68 Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District

A. Permitted Uses. The following uses are permitted in the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District:

1. Forestry and tree farming.

2. Wildlife refuges.

3. Parks and outdoor recreation uses requiring no structures.

4. Conservation areas and nature trails.

B. Special Exceptions. Uses permitted by special exception are:

1. Wireless Telecommunications structures.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article II, by adding a definition of residence as follows:

A dwelling unit.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Throughout the Ordinance, change all references from "SCS" to "NRCS."

[Note: The US Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service changed its name to the Natural Resources Conservation Service.]

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 10. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 10.81 by substituting "30" for "10" in the second sentence.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 11. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 4.46C by inserting after the word "ordinance", the words "including adequate driveway access to each lot."

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 12. (BY PETITION.) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #11 to the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Petitioners as follows:

Amend section 4.63B (Shoreland Conservation District: Special Exceptions) by adding the following use: Noncommercial development within areas specifically reserved for that purpose which were created as the result of conservation easements executed prior to the adoption of this Zoning Ordinance on March 14, 1989.

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 13. (BY PETITION.) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #12 to the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Petitioners as follows:

A.) Change Table 4.1 under Section 4.2 of the Lyme Zoning Ordinance to indicate that a Hotel/Inn would not be allowed in the Rural District as a special exception, but would instead be a "use not permitted, or 'N'."

B.) Any "Business Use" (not including "Agricultural" or "Forestry" uses as listed in TABLE 4.1 of Section 4.2) shall be limited in scope to that of a "Cottage Industry," as already defined under ARTICLE II of the Ordinance.

[Note: *Petitioners' Explanations:*

The objective of the Zoning Ordinance relative to the Rural District is defined in part as follows:

'to protect the existing pattern of rural land uses in the Town, to maintain and foster traditional agricultural pursuits, to encourage the most appropriate use of land, and to facilitate the adequate provision of community services. Less intensive land uses are permitted in the Rural District to ensure that uses complement each other and are consistent with the existing character of the District.'

"All existing Business Uses as well as proposed Business Uses listed in Table 4.1, excepting Hotel/Inn, are widely understood to be Cottage Industries. The Hotel/Inn category does not belong in this group. Removing "Hotel/Inn," as proposed in Amendment (A), would correct an obvious aberration in the Zoning Ordinance.

"Amendment (B) would formally limit all businesses in the Rural District to being Cottage Industries. This would clarify the intent of the Zoning Ordinance by bringing it in line with people's assumptions.

"People living in the Rural District believe they are currently protected from having a high-impact commercial business pop up next door to them. Unless this aberration is corrected, they are NOT!"

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Not recommended by the Planning Board.)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Lyme based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

- for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$30,000;
- for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000;
- for a person 80 years of age or older, \$120,000.

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$17,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$24,000; and own assets not in excess of \$65,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.

[Note: *The New Hampshire legislature changed the statutes pertaining to elderly exemptions. Consequently, the Selectmen propose two significant changes to our previously adopted elderly exemption.*

Maximum Level of Net Income: Previously, the applicant was allowed a maximum level of net income of not more than \$10,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$12,000. The new statute increased the lowest maximum level of net income allowed to \$13,400, if single, and to \$20,400, if married. The prior statute excluded the applicant's social security payments in calculating net income. The new statute includes social security payments in calculating an applicant's net income. The Selectmen propose a maximum taxable income level of \$17,000, if single, and \$24,000 if married.

Maximum Level of All Assets, Excluding Residence: According to the new statute, the amount of assets the Town may choose cannot be less than \$35,000. The Town's former maximum value of all assets allowed to an applicant, excluding the applicant's residence, was \$50,000. The Selectmen propose that the maximum level of assets, excluding the applicant's residence, be increased to \$65,000. The applicant's "residence" includes the applicant's principal housing unit and related structures such as unattached garage or woodshed (all of which is considered to be the applicant's principal home) and the land upon which the house is located up to the greater of 2 acres or the minimum single family residential lot size specified in the local zoning ordinance. "Residence" does not include attached dwelling units and unattached structures used or intended for commercial or other nonresidential purposes. See RSA 72:39-b,1 (c).]

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an exemption for the totally and permanently disabled. The exemption from property tax in the Town of Lyme, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, shall be \$30,000.

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years and own and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$17,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$24,000; and own assets not in excess of \$65,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.

[Note: The Town currently does not have an exemption for the totally and permanently disabled. The Social Security Administration determines whether the applicant is disabled for purposes of this exemption. See the preceding Article 14 for our explanation of what assets are included. See RSA 72:37-b.]

(Majority nonpartisan official ballot required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen.)

[Note: This note applies to the next few warrant articles - Warrant Articles 16, 17, 18 and 19. The Town changed its policy of rebuilding roads, therefore, the Selectmen propose that the Town discontinue its Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Major Highway Rebuild Capital Reserve Fund" and to redistribute the moneys from that fund into three new accounts. The money taken out of one fund cannot be transferred directly to other funds. The money has to come out of one fund and then go into the general fund. Then money can be appropriated out of the general fund into the three new funds. We propose to put the majority of these moneys into the following three accounts:

As of December 31, 1996, the estimated sum of money in the Major Highway Rebuild Capital Reserve Fund was \$92,000 (Actual Amount as of 12/31/96: \$91,833.86).

*(Article 16 - Public Land Acquisition Reserve Trust Fund): \$50,000
\$92,000 - \$50,000 = \$ 42,000 Left over
(Article 17 - Public Works Facility Reserve Trust Fund): \$10,000
\$ 42,000 - \$10,000 = \$32,000 Left over
(Article 18 - Emergency Highway Repair Fund): \$32,000
\$32,000 - \$32,000 = \$ 0 Left over]*

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Major Highway Rebuilding Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993. The Town's policy of rebuilding roads has changed and the original purpose of this fund is no longer valid. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purposes of a Public Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 to be placed in this fund and authorize the transfer of \$50,000 of the December 31, 1996, fund balance in that amount for this purpose. (The remainder of \$5,000 to come from the prior year's surplus of Land Use Change Tax Fund in Article 19.)

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purposes of a Public Works Facility Capital Reserve Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in this fund and authorize the transfer of \$10,000 of the December 31, 1996, fund balance in that amount for this purpose.

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purposes of an Emergency Highway Repair Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 to be placed in this fund and authorize the transfer of \$32,000 of the December 31, 1996, fund balance in that amount for this purpose.

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums as follows: The funds to come from the "Land Use Change Tax Escrow" account (designated as "L.U.C.T." in the budget), held by the Treasurer under provisions of NH RSA 36-A:5, III. After appropriations these funds shall be transferred to the General Fund Budget for the current fiscal year and appear as an offsetting transaction, with no effect on the tax rate.

Land Use Change Tax Escrow Account

Balance as of 12/31/96:	\$11,852.40
Proposed Withdrawals:	
1. Public Land Acquisition Reserve Trust Fund:	\$5,000.00
2. Lyme Center Academy Building -	
Consultant/Architect:	\$2,500.00
To be returned to the General Fund to reduce taxes:	\$4,352.40

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the first phase of a complete revaluation and authorize the withdrawal of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The complete revaluation will take place over the next three years. The complete revaluation/appraisal will be performed by a private appraisal contractor, who has been approved by the Department of Revenue Administration.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds and make payment to the following Capital Reserve and Trust Funds previously established for the purposes set forth in the Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee as follows:

Emergency Major Equipment Rebuilding Trust Fund	\$3,000
Lyme Center Academy Building Renovation Capital Res. Fund	\$2,000
Bridge Reserve Fund	\$2,500
Vehicle Equipment Reserve Fund	\$41,000
Heavy Equipment Reserve Fund	\$16,000
Property Reappraisal Fund	\$10,000
(Total:	\$74,500)

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds and authorize the Selectmen, as agents for the Town, to withdraw and expend such funds from the Capital Reserve and Trust Funds for the purposes set forth in the budget as submitted by the Budget Committee as follows:

Emergency Major Equipment Rebuilding Trust Fund	\$15,800
Bessie Hall Fund (Fire Equipment)	\$5,500
Lyme Center Academy Building Renovation Capital Res. Fund	\$4,000
Lyme Center Academy Building Gifts and Donations Fund	\$1,000
Emergency Highway Repair Fund	\$32,000
(Total:	\$58,300)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million one hundred eighty-nine thousand eight hundred ninety-six dollars and no cents (\$1,189,896.00) which represents the total appropriations as recommended in the Budget by the Budget Committee.

[This sum includes warrant Articles 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23.]

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to approve the concept of the three-phase project as presented in a proposal prepared for the Town by Haynes and Garthwaite, Architects, to renovate the exterior of the Lyme Center Academy Building close to its nineteenth century appearance and to rehabilitate the interior for use by the community for meeting space and to

serve as a home where the Town community historical society can present Lyme's history. The final goal of the three-phase plan is to return the Lyme Center Academy Building to regular use by local and area groups for social and artistic meetings.

[Note: Because the funding of this project may be a lengthy process, the program was organized for phased implementation of the project. The Board of Selectmen previously approved fund-raising activities for Phase I and Phase II.]

(Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 26. (BY PETITION.) To see if the Town will vote to allow use of the Lyme Center Academy Building by the Lyme Historians at a rent of \$1.00 per year for the purpose of display and storage of historical records and artifacts from Lyme and surrounding areas and related activities for a minimum of ten years or as long as the previously stated purpose is being met.

(Majority vote required.) (Not recommended by the Selectmen.)

[Note: The substance of Articles 27 - 32 were approved by earlier Town Meetings, however, these slightly revised "boilerplate" provisions appear again to conform to wording changes recommended by the State of New Hampshire, Department of Revenue Administration.]

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of RSA 33:7 providing that any town at an annual town meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to issue tax anticipation notes.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 28. Shall the Town accept the provision of RSA 80:80 authorizing the Selectmen to sell at public auction, or by advertised sealed bids, any real estate acquired by the Town through tax collector's deeds provided, however, that instead the Selectmen in their discretion may reconvey such real estate to the previous owner or to the heirs and/or devisees of such previous owner as justice may require, such authority being granted indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 29. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year. This authorization will remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the municipal meeting.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property, other than cash, to the municipality for any public purposes. This authorization in accordance with RSA 31:95-e shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the municipal meeting.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of RSA 31:19 providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to apply accept trusts without further action by the Town. This authorization will remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the municipal meeting.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 32. Shall the Town vote to accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-c providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Library Trustees.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 33. Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d providing that any town at an annual town meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or library trustees to raise and appropriate or expend any such public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property.

[Note: This is new.]

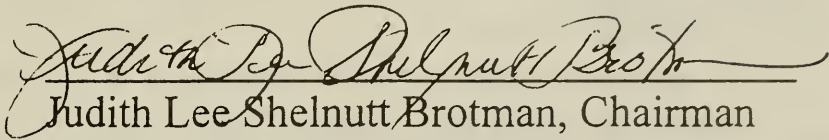
(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Library Trustees.)
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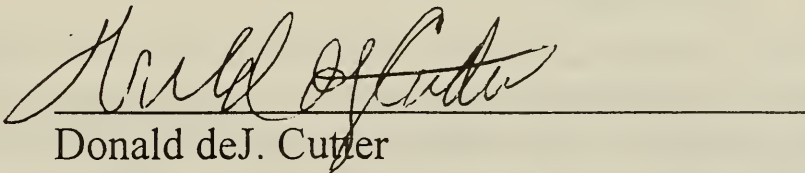
ARTICLE 34. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, or Committees or other officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

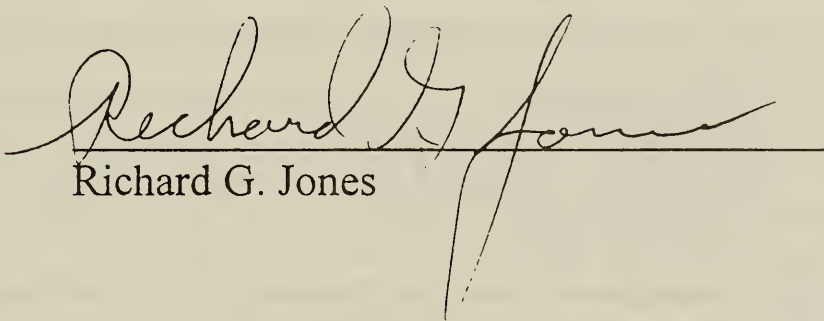
(Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 35. To transact any other business that may be legally brought before this Town Meeting. Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Lyme this 14th day of February, 1997.

TOWN OF LYME
BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Judith Lee Shelnutt Brotman, Chairman


Donald deJ. Cutter


Richard G. Jones



**LYME PLANNING BOARD'S
PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS FOR
TOWN MEETING 1997
EXPLANATION OF WARRANT ARTICLES**

List of Zoning Amendments to be Considered at Town Meeting 1997

1. Amend Section 10.50 by adding the following sentence to the end of the first paragraph:

If more than one special exception is required for a proposal, the proposal must be reviewed and found to meet the conditions of Section 10.50 for each and every special exception associated with the proposal.

This amendment makes clear the need for the Zoning Board to consider each special exception, which may be required in order to permit a use or structure, separately and completely, giving each special exception a thorough review using the conditions of Section 10.50.

2. Amend Article II, by adding a definition of business as follows:

Non-residential use, including but not limited to retail, service, recreational, manufacturing, professional office or clinic, and lodging accommodations, but not including institutional, agriculture or forestry use.

This amendment gives the Town a definition of business.

3. A) Amend Article II, the definition of cluster development, by deleting the words "lot size averaging" from the title, but not from the definition itself.
- B) Amend Article II by adding a definition for lot size averaging as follows:

The ability to create lots which may not meet the minimum lot size or dimensional criteria of Table 5.1 by ensuring that the average lot size in a subdivision and the average of the dimensions of the lots in the subdivision taken together conform with the standards set forth in Table 5.1.

C) Throughout the Ordinance, replace the "/" between "cluster development" or "cluster", and "lot size averaging" with "and/or".

- D) Amend Section 4.46D by adding to the end:

Sites for building development shall be contained in a contiguous area no more than 25% of the lot proposed for cluster development.

This set of amendments will clarify the difference between a cluster development and a lot size averaged development. While some

developments will be both clustered and lot size averaged, there can be developments that are one or the other.

4. A) Delete the definition of bed and breakfast house and the listing for bed and breakfast in Table 4.1.

B) Amend Article II by adding a definition of lodging accommodations as follows:

Overnight quarters provided to transient guests, which could include as special exceptions accessory uses such as meal preparation, meal service and functions such as weddings, meetings, and reunions.

C) In all the text and tables, whenever the words “Hotel/Inn” or “Bed and breakfast” occur, replace them with “Lodging Accommodations”.

D) Add a new section:

4.56 Lodging Accommodations. A special exception review and conformance to the standards, conditions and requirements contained in Section 10.50 are required for each and every use that is proposed as accessory to lodging accommodations.

This set of amendments relieves the Town from having to split hairs to define different types of lodging accommodations and insures that all will be regulated by Zoning Board’s special exception review. When the owners of a permitted lodging accommodation that decide to change the mix of uses that might take place at the lodging accommodation, further Zoning Board review will be required. An example of such a change would be if a bed and breakfast owner wanted to start serving meals to guests who did not spend the night under their roof. This amendment is preferred rather than the amendment submitted by petition listed as Article 13 because it continues to allow lodging accommodations in the rural areas in Town.

5. Amend Section 4.65 C by adding the following:

3. All new construction or substantial improvements shall be:

- i) designed (or modified) and adequately anchored to prevent floatation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy;
- ii) be constructed with materials resistant to flood damage;
- iii) be constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damage; and

- iv) be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing and air conditioning equipment, and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding.

Remove all references to the "Regulatory Floodway" and if not in conjunction with flood hazard area , replace with the words "flood hazard area."

These amendments are required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in order for the property owners in Town to continue to be eligible for federally insured flood insurance.

- 6. A) Amend Article II by adding a definition for wireless telecommunications structure, as follows: Any structure used in the transmission, broadcast or relay of wireless communications.

B) Add a new section, 3.258 Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District:

The boundaries of the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District are the boundaries of that area of land located within one hundred feet of the Smarts Mountain Fire Tower. The primary objective of the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District is to provide a reasonable opportunity for location of such facilities in the Town and thereby serving the following additional objectives:

- (1) provide Lyme residents with access to wireless telecommunications ; and

- (2) preserve scenic views.

C) Add Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District as a heading on Table 4.1 and add Wireless Telecommunications Structure to the list of business uses in Table 4.1.

D) Add a new section: 4.68 Wireless Communications Overlay District.

A. Permitted Uses. The following uses are permitted in the Wireless Communications Overlay District:

- 1. Forestry and tree farming.
- 2. Wildlife refuges.
- 3. Parks and outdoor recreation uses requiring no structures.
- 4. Conservation areas and nature trails.

B. Special Exceptions. Uses permitted by special exception are:

- 1. Wireless telecommunications structures.

This set of amendments responds to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 which limits the authority towns have over regulation of telecommunications devices, but clarifies what authority towns do have. With this amendment, the Town is providing a location for telecommunications structures. As more work is done to identify the best places in Town for such structures this Section will be modified.

7. Amend Article II, by adding a definition of residence as follows:

A dwelling unit.

This amendment gives the Town a definition for residence.

8. Throughout the Ordinance, change all references from "SCS" to "NRCS".

This amendment updates our Ordinance, since the Soil Conservation Service changed its name to the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

9. Amend Section 10.81 by substituting "30" for "10" in the second sentence.

This amendment gives the Zoning Board twenty more days to respond to a motion for rehearing.

10. Amend Section 4.46C by inserting after the word "ordinance", the words "including adequate driveway access to each lot."

This amendment is a reminder of the need for each lot in an economically feasible conventional subdivision to have adequate driveway access.



TOWN OF LYME

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING MARCH 12, 1996

Town Meeting was called to order at 9:15 A.M. by the Moderator David Washburn at the Lyme School Community Room.

A Resolution from the New Hampshire City and Town Clerks' Association on the death of Former Town Clerk, Pearl Dimick, was read by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 1. To vote by non-partisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

Moderator (Two years)	David Washburn
Selectman (Three years)	Donald deJ. Cutter
Supervisor of the Checklist (Six years)	Russell R. Balch
Road Agent (One year)	Fred O. Stearns III
Overseer of Public Welfare (One year)	Kenneth Elder
Sexton (One year)	William H. LaBombard
Planning Board (Three years)	Jeanie McIntyre
Budget Committee (Three years)	Gibbons G. Cornwell III
	Earl F. Strout
	B. Wayne Tullar
Trustee of Trust Funds (Three years)	Ellen Barrett
Cemetery Commission (Three years)	Earl F. Strout
Cemetery Commission (Two years)	William E. Desch
Cemetery Commission (One year)	Judy Wagner
Library Trustee (Three years)	Patricia Erwin Ploog
	Eric Saunders
	Norman C. Wakely
Recreation Committee (Three years)	Thomas W. Ball
	James A. Johnson
	Bill Weeks
Recreation Committee (One year)	John Sweeney

ARTICLE 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article II by adding the following definitions:

ABANDONED: The condition of a structure or use given up with no intent of claiming one's right or interest in it; and

DESTROYED: The condition of a building which has been ruined, demolished, dismantled or smashed, by natural casualty or neglect.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 348

NO 61

ARTICLE 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the definition of "Dwelling Unit, Single Family" in Article II by deleting the words "for use by relatives, guests or employees."

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 333 NO 776

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add the following sentence to the definition of lot coverage:

(Driveways do not apply in calculating lot coverage in the Rural, East Lyme and Mountain and Forest Districts.)

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 341 NO 69

ARTICLE 5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Paragraph 4.47 C to read:

No more than six dwelling units shall be permitted in the building; and

Add to Article II Definitions the following:

UNIT. A room or rooms arranged for use by a separate, independent business, or a separate household established for owner or guest occupancy or rental.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 339 NO 68

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add this sentence so it becomes the third sentence in the first paragraph of Section 4.47 as follows:

More than four units in a converted structure shall be reviewed as a planned development under section 4.50.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 331 NO 67

ARTICLE 7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add this sentence so it becomes the fourth sentence in the first paragraph of Section 4.47 as follows:

When a use other than multi-family residential, office, studio or restaurant is planned for the converted structure, that use shall cause the project to be reviewed as a planned development under Section 4.50.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 329

NO 76

ARTICLE 8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 4.47 by adding a Subsection F, as follows:

If a multi-family conversion is reviewed as a planned development, all of the stipulations of Section 4.47 A- E apply.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 303

NO 74

ARTICLE 9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 4.54 to include a new subparagraph 4) as follows:

4) Where a reasonable alternative exists, driveways shall not be constructed in the side or rear setbacks.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 288

NO 95

ARTICLE 10. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Paragraph 5.21 B by adding:

The foregoing limitation shall not apply in the subdivision of a lot of record on the effective date of this provision, March 12, 1996, for the creation of one lot in a single subdivision of that lot.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 295

NO 70

ARTICLE 11. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 5.26 by adding after the words "conservation easement" the following words:

"executed after March 14, 1989;"

and by adding the following sentence:

In the case of a conservation easement executed prior to the adoption of this Zoning Ordinance on March 14, 1989, unless otherwise restricted by terms of the conservation easement, dimensional characteristics of the protected land may be used for the development of the protected parcel or any subsequently annexed property.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 302 NO 74

ARTICLE 12. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #11 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.26 to insert the following words after "fire or other":

"natural casualties, to include snow load, wind or age,"

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 334 NO 48

ARTICLE 13. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #12 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 10.18 to include a new paragraph as follows:

Appeals of Planning Board Decisions. Any Planning Board decision which includes an interpretation of this Zoning Ordinance may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 348 NO 34

ARTICLE 14. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #13 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 10.50 by adding a Sub-paragraph as follows:

The use will be adequately served by a parking area sized to accommodate the parking needs and circulation requirements of tenants, customers, employees, and

delivery and other services. An adequate area shall be provided, or an adequate plan shall be made for snow storage and/or removal. The proposal shall conform to the standards and requirements of Article VII.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 314

NO 54

ARTICLE 15. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #14 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Articles II, III, IV and V to create a new district called the Skiway District. In the proposed district, new uses to the Ordinance are proposed including Food Service, Ski Lodge and Skiing Facilities. Most of the conservation overlay districts would not apply to Skiing Facilities. Table 4.1 would be amended to add the new district which permits agriculture, forestry and excavation and allows by special exception outdoor recreation, sawmill, and skiing facilities. New standards are proposed for review of Skiing Facilities. Table 5.1 is amended to include the new district and to restate, but not change the meaning of, the footnotes to the Table. This amendment would necessitate a change to the Zoning Map, taking land from the East Lyme District and Rural District along the Grafton Turnpike and Dorchester Road to create the Skiway District.

VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 295

NO 79

ARTICLE 16. Alfred Balch made the motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate funds and make payment to the following Capital Reserve and Trust Funds previously established for the purposes set forth in the Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee as follows:

Emergency Major Equipment	
Rebuilding Trust Fund	\$3,000
Bridge Reserve Fund	\$5,000
Vehicle Equipment Reserve Fund	\$40,000
Heavy Equipment Reserve Fund	\$12,500
Property Reappraisal Fund	\$10,000
Major Highway Rebuilding Fund	\$10,000
(Total:	\$80,500)

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

MOTION VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 17. Ray Bergendoff made the motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate funds and authorize the Selectmen, as agents for the Town, to withdraw and expend such funds from the Capital Reserve and Trust Funds for the purposes set forth in the budget as submitted by the Budget Committee as follows:

Emergency Major Equipment	
Rebuilding Trust Fund	\$18,800
Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	\$20,000
Equipment Reserve, Heavy	\$135,000
Bessie Hall Fund (Fire Equipment)	\$5,500
Bridge Work, Covered Bridge (Town Share)	\$10,000
(Total:	\$189,300)

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

An **AMENDMENT** was made by Selectman Donald Cutter and **SECONDED** to delete the sum of \$10,000 for Bridge Work from this article. (This reduces the total of expenditures under this article to \$179,300.)

AMENDMENT VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

MOTION AS AMENDED VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 18. Dorf Sears made the motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the following sums as follows: The funds to come from the "Land Use Change Tax Escrow" Account (designated as L.U.C.T. in the budget), held by the Treasurer under provisions of NH RSA 36-A:5,III. After appropriations these funds shall be transferred to the General Fund Budget for the correct fiscal year and appear as an offsetting transaction, with no effect on the tax rate.

Land Use Change Tax Escrow Account

Balance as of 12/31/95	\$27,430
Proposed Withdrawals:	
Overhead Doors for Fire Station	\$5,500
Academy Building - Consultant	\$1,500
Chase Beach - Potable Water	\$1,000
Post Pond - Ball Field Improvements	\$5,000
Cemetery Improvements	\$3,000
Beal Cemetery Stone Wall and Tree Work	\$2,000
Total:	\$18,000
To be returned to the General Fund to reduce taxes:	\$9,430

(These appropriations are included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)

(Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

An **AMENDMENT** was made by Alfred Balch and **SECONDED** to change the item, Beal Cemetery Stone Wall and Tree Work to Beal Cemetery Stone Wall and Tree Maintenance.

AMENDMENT VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

MOTION AS AMENDED VOTED IN AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 19. (BY PETITION.) Mary Daubenspeck made the motion that the Town vote to establish the Lyme Center Academy Building Renovation Capital Reserve Fund for the renovation of that building.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.) (Not Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

MOTION VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 20. (BY PETITION.) Barbara Roby made the motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be placed in the Lyme Center Academy Building Renovation Capital Reserve Fund, previously established in Article 19 above.

(This appropriation is not included in the Total Appropriations of the budget approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.) (Not Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

MOTION VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 21. (BY PETITION.) Ross McIntyre made the motion that the Town vote to amend Article 21, of the Town Meeting of March 14, 1995, so as to restore the amount of payments collected pursuant to RSA Chapter 79 (Land Use Change Tax) being placed in the Conservation Fund under RSA 79-A:25 from 25% to 50%.

[Rationale: These funds are generated under RSA Chapter 79-A:25-a (Land Use Change tax). At the March 14, 1989 Town Meeting the Town adopted RSA 79-A:25 to place 50% of the revenues from all future Land Use Change Tax in a conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5,III. At the March 9, 1993 Town Meeting the Town adopted RSA 79-A:25-a to account for revenues

(Majority vote required.) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee.)
(Not Recommended by the Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 24. Gene Hoch made the motion that the Town vote to rescind Article 23 of the 1931 Town Meeting set forth as follows:

the Agent shall hire married men in town and if more are needed to employ single men in town and help shall work from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. nine hours each day.

[Rationale: The Warrant for the 1931 Town Meeting read as follows:

Article 23. (By Petition) the following Article, To see if the Town will vote to hire all married men that are taxpayers on Real Estate or married men that are residents of this town that are needed to be employed, in town or State aid work and that these men shall work nine hours a day, meaning that they shall be on their job at seven o'clock a.m. and work until five o'clock p.m., wherever their work may be, and upon first complaint from residents of this town to the selectmen that these men are not doing their duty, the selectmen shall made an investigation at once, and if found they are not, the Road Agent shall be discharged at once by the Selectmen, and a new Road Agent appointed by them. These married men shall be capable of doing a good day's work, and in case there are not enough married men, they may hire single men of this, but not to hire out of town help.

The minutes for the 1931 Town meeting read as follows:

It was moved that the town employ married men who are taxpayers in real estate and if not enough then hire married men who are not taxpayers. Motion was lost Yes 37, No 46.

A motion was made that this article be stricken out except that the Agent shall hire married men in town and if more are needed to employ single men in town and help shall work from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. nine hours each day.]

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

MOTION VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 25. Joshua Kilham made the motion to hear reports of Agents, Auditors, or Committees or other officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen.)

SECONDED

MOTION VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 26. To transact any other business that may be legally brought before this Town Meeting.

Mike Smith shared some reminiscences of working, as Town Auditor, with Pearl Dimick in her home, and also mentioned her very generous bequest to the Town of \$200,000 which will provide direct benefits to Lyme residents in need.

Freda Swan asked for a sense of the meeting to ask the Selectmen to move Town Meeting to Saturday morning so that more people would be able to attend. It was also suggested that the School Board be asked to consider changing the annual School District Meeting to Saturday so that both meetings would be held on the same day, one following the other with a community lunch between.

The sense of the meeting was strong approval for Saturday meetings.

Don Elder made the suggestion that since we have a number of Lyme residents who are tree professionals, the Selectmen should appoint Town Tree Agents for advice and consultation to the Town.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean A. Smith, Town Clerk



A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF LYME					
2						
3	APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE FOR JANUARY 1, 1997, TO DECEMBER 31, 1997					
4	COMPARED WITH APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, AND EST. AND ACTUAL REVENUE FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1, 1996 TO DECEMBER 31, 1996					
5						
6		Actual	Actual	Selectmen's	Budget Committee	
7		Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
8		Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensuing	Recommended
9	Act	1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
10	No.				1997	or (added)
11						
12	OPERATING EXPENSES					
13	4130 Executive:					
14	Selectmen Salary	\$4,500	\$4,500.00	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
15	Administrative Assistant Wages	\$26,663	\$28,047.45	\$28,250	\$28,250	\$0
16	Administrative Assistant Benefits	\$7,287	\$6,744.31	\$7,600	\$7,600	\$0
17	Selectmen's Clerks Wages	\$7,568	\$7,167.71	\$7,850	\$7,850	\$0
18	Selectmen's Supplies	\$3,300	\$3,199.57	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
19	Postage	\$2,200	\$2,513.53	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
20	Meetings, Seminars & Education	\$500	\$680.84	\$800	\$950	(\$150)
21	Telephone	\$4,500	\$4,031.59	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
22	Telephone System Upgrade	\$0	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
23	Set Reduced Tax Maps	\$100	\$92.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
24	Service Contract on Copier	\$520	\$533.55	\$650	\$650	\$0
25	Employee Physicals	\$220	\$265.00	\$350	\$350	\$0
26	Miscellaneous	\$500	\$403.02	\$500	\$500	\$0
27	4130 Executive:	\$57,858	\$58,178.57	\$61,600	\$61,750	(\$150)
28						
29	4140 Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics:					
30	Town Clerk Salary	\$3,727	\$3,727.08	\$3,850	\$3,850	\$0
31	Town Clerk Fees	\$8,500	\$8,648.50	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$0
32	Deputy Town Clerk Wages	\$5,640	\$5,995.00	\$5,900	\$5,900	\$0

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
6			Actual	Actual	Selectmen's	Budget Committee	G
7			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
8			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensnung	Recommended
9	Act		1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation				1997	or (added)
33		Town Clerk Supplies	\$500	\$926.48	\$700	\$700	\$0
34		Computer Hardware	\$1,700	\$1,320.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
35		Computer Software	\$1,270	\$1,269.14	\$1,730	\$1,730	\$0
36		Election & Registration	\$3,500	\$2,897.80	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
37		Vital Records Restoration	\$0	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
38		4140 Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics:	\$24,837	\$24,784.00	\$23,680	\$23,680	\$0
39							
40		4150 Financial Administration:					
41		Treasurer Salary	\$4,714	\$4,714.12	\$4,850	\$4,850	\$0
42		Treasurer Supplies	\$100	\$78.42	\$100	\$100	\$0
43		Budget Committee Expenses	\$750	\$1,030.42	\$800	\$800	\$0
44		Trustee of Trust Funds Expenses	\$25	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
45		Tax Collector Salary	\$5,326	\$5,326.08	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0
46		Tax Collector Fees	\$2,500	\$894.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
47		Deputy Tax Collector Wages	\$390	\$360.00	\$400	\$400	\$0
48		Tax Collector Supplies	\$500	\$308.32	\$300	\$300	\$0
49		Recording Fees-Grafton County Register of Deeds	\$600	\$310.04	\$400	\$400	\$0
50		Refunds & Miscellaneous	\$1,000	\$790.52	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
51		Bookkeeper/Secretary Wages	\$21,749	\$21,205.36	\$22,400	\$22,400	\$0
52		Bookkeeper/Secretary Benefits	\$4,333	\$4,058.56	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
53		Computer Consultant	\$1,500	\$1,351.95	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
54		Computer Hardware	\$1,500	\$0.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
55		Computer Software	\$1,417	\$1,275.30	\$2,550	\$2,550	\$0
56		Computer Updates & Instruction	\$100	\$0.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
57		Town Report	\$2,800	\$2,218.50	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$0
58		Audit	\$5,000	\$4,685.00	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0

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6			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
7			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensuing	Recommended
8			1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act					1997	or (added)
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation					
59		Tax Map Updates	\$2,500	\$2,025.00	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$0
60		Timber Tax Enforcement	\$250	\$0.00	\$250	\$250	\$0
61		4150 Financial Administration:	\$57,054	\$50,631.59	\$59,350	\$59,350	\$0
62							
63		4152 Revaluation of Property:					
64		Assessing Consultant	\$5,000	\$6,635.00	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$0
65		Assessing Software	\$1,200	\$1,200.00	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
66		4152 Revaluation of Property:	\$6,200	\$7,835.00	\$7,700	\$7,700	\$0
67							
68		4153 Legal Expenses:	\$20,000	\$12,851.07	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$0
69							
70		4155 Personnel Administration:					
71		Town Portion OASDI	\$20,365	\$17,846.48	\$20,800	\$20,800	\$0
72		Medicare, Town Portion	\$4,763	\$4,173.79	\$4,850	\$4,850	\$0
73		Payroll Contract	\$2,100	\$2,082.12	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$0
74		4155 Personnel Administration:	\$27,228	\$24,102.39	\$27,750	\$27,750	\$0
75							
76		4191 Planning and Zoning:					
77		PLANNING:					
78		Planning Board Executive Agent Wages	\$1,800	\$2,051.57	\$2,400	\$2,300	\$100
79		Supplies	\$50	\$5.54	\$10	\$10	\$0
80		Copying	\$100	\$39.35	\$75	\$75	\$0
81		Advertising	\$100	\$272.30	\$100	\$100	\$0
82		Recording Fees	\$200	\$67.00	\$150	\$150	\$0
83		Postage	\$250	\$285.41	\$300	\$250	\$50
84		Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Council Dues	\$1,400	\$1,391.00	\$1,400	\$1,391	\$9

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7			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
8			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensnung	Recommended
9	Act		1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation				1997	or (added)
85		GIS Data Map (half of total)	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$550	(\$550)
86		Miscellaneous	\$50	\$100.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
87		Subtotal Planning:	\$3,950	\$4,212.17	\$4,435	\$4,826	(\$391)
88		ZONING:					
89		Zoning Administrator Wages	\$8,000	\$7,140.53	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0
90		Zoning Board of Adjustment Recorder	\$0	\$0.00	\$900	\$900	\$0
91		Printing Zoning Ordinances	\$200	\$171.00	\$200	\$200	\$0
92		Mileage	\$100	\$87.12	\$100	\$100	\$0
93		Postage	\$200	\$525.70	\$500	\$500	\$0
94		Advertising	\$200	\$304.11	\$200	\$200	\$0
95		Computer Hardware	\$2,600	\$1,469.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
96		GIS Data Map (half of total)	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$550	(\$550)
97		Miscellaneous	\$50	\$238.40	\$50	\$50	\$0
98		Subtotal Zoning:	\$11,350	\$9,935.86	\$9,950	\$10,500	(\$550)
99							
100		4191 Planning and Zoning:	\$15,300	\$14,148.03	\$14,385	\$15,326	(\$941)
101							
102		4194 General Government Buildings:					
103		Utilities - Academy Building	\$0	\$216.00	\$900	\$900	\$0
104		Heat - Academy Building	\$0	\$0.00	\$600	\$600	\$0
105		Maintenance and Repair - Academy Building	\$2,500	\$2,042.17	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
106		Other Buildings	\$2,000	\$375.00	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
107		4194 General Government Buildings:	\$4,500	\$2,633.17	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
108							
109		4195 Cemeteries:					
110		Sexton, Salary	\$500	\$500.00	\$500	\$500	\$0

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6			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
7			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Enacting	Recommended
8			1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act						or (added)
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation				1997	
111		Wages	\$10,782	\$9,717.26	\$9,950	\$9,950	\$0
112		Gasoline	\$200	\$193.85	\$200	\$200	\$0
113		Materials	\$250	\$175.33	\$250	\$250	\$0
114		Electric	\$200	\$94.09	\$200	\$200	\$0
115		Equipment Maintenance & Repair	\$500	\$323.59	\$500	\$500	\$0
116		Truck Rental	\$2,500	\$2,475.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
117		Headstone Repair	\$1,500	\$1,500.00	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
118		Perpetual Care Expenses	\$4,500	\$0.00	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
119		Mower (half of total cost)	\$0	\$0.00	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
120		Other Expenses	\$50	\$748.95	\$50	\$50	\$0
121		4195 Cemeteries:	\$20,982	\$15,728.07	\$24,150	\$24,150	\$0
122							
123		4196 Insurance:					
124		Workers Compensation Insurance	\$23,971	\$19,814.00	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
125		Unemployment Compensation Insurance	\$2,922	\$830.79	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
126		Property Liability Insurance	\$22,000	\$19,326.00	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$0
127		4196 Insurance:	\$48,893	\$39,970.79	\$49,500	\$49,500	\$0
128							
129		4197 Advertising and Regional Association:					
130		Dues	\$700	\$783.90	\$800	\$800	\$0
131		Advertising	\$600	\$45.81	\$200	\$200	\$0
132		4197 Advertising and Regional Association:	\$1,300	\$829.71	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
133							
134		4198 Survey & Deeds:	\$500	\$445.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
135							
136		4199 Other General Government:	\$300	\$0.00	\$100	\$100	\$0

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6			Actual	Actual	Selectmen's	Budget Committee	Not Recommended
7			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended		
8			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations		
9	Act		1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation				1997	or (added)
137		(Dog Damages)					
138							
139		4210 Police:					
140		Chief Salary	\$33,388	\$30,606.07	\$34,400	\$34,400	\$0
141		Chief Benefits	\$9,824	\$7,757.94	\$8,350	\$8,350	\$0
142		Part Time Officer Wages	\$3,264	\$10,401.17	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$0
143		Training & Education	\$500	\$216.97	\$500	\$500	\$0
144		Gasoline	\$500	\$478.34	\$500	\$500	\$0
145		Telephone	\$1,000	\$987.07	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
146		Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$357.55	\$500	\$500	\$0
147		Communications & Equipment	\$2,000	\$2,053.50	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
148		Animal Control (Cat & Dog)	\$500	\$260.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
149		4210 Police:	\$51,476	\$53,118.61	\$51,050	\$51,050	\$0
150							
151		4215 Ambulance:	\$14,000	\$16,388.02	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$0
152							
153		4220 Fire:					
154		Wages	\$4,200	\$2,904.21	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$0
155		Administration	\$100	\$0.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
156		Dues	\$900	\$648.00	\$700	\$700	\$0
157		Training	\$500	\$230.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
158		Motor Fuel	\$800	\$351.70	\$800	\$800	\$0
159		Heat	\$1,900	\$2,040.43	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$0
160		Electric	\$1,500	\$1,345.29	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
161		Radio Repairs	\$500	\$554.25	\$700	\$700	\$0
162		Parts & Supplies	\$1,400	\$938.15	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0

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6			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
7			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensuing	Recommended
8			1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act						
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation			1997	1997	or (added)
163		Station Maintenance & Repair	\$1,000	\$645.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
164		Major Equipment	\$1,900	\$2,141.58	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$0
165		Miscellaneous	\$300	\$149.00	\$300	\$300	\$0
166		4220 Fire:	\$15,000	\$11,947.61	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
167							
168		4290 Emergency Management (Forest Fires):					
169		Warden & Deputies Training & Meetings	\$200	\$99.34	\$100	\$100	\$0
170		Warden & Deputies Services	\$100	\$112.67	\$200	\$200	\$0
171		Radio Equipment Maintenance	\$200	\$0.00	\$200	\$200	\$0
172		Fire Fighting Equipment	\$500	\$492.70	\$850	\$850	\$0
173		Forest Fire Suppression	\$650	\$205.58	\$300	\$300	\$0
174		4290 Emergency Management (Forest Fires):	\$1,650	\$910.29	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$0
175							
176		4299 Other Public Safety:	\$3,000	\$3,975.71	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0
177		(Regional Emergency Services)					
178							
179		4312 Highways and Streets:					
180		REGULAR:					
181		Highway Agent Salary	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
182		Wages	\$54,000	\$51,247.92	\$59,300	\$59,300	\$0
183		Benefits	\$21,707	\$16,022.94	\$21,400	\$21,900	(\$500)
184		Alcohol and Drug Testing	\$500	\$363.52	\$500	\$500	\$0
185		Motor Fuel	\$6,000	\$6,429.43	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
186		Equipment Parts	\$2,500	\$2,773.45	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
187		Asphalt, Cold Patch and Shimming	\$20,000	\$13,102.82	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
188		Materials and Maintenance (Gravel and Dirt Roads)	\$10,000	\$16,956.65	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0

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			Actual Appropriations Prior Year 1996	Actual Expenditures Prior Year 1996	Selectmen's Recommended Appropriations 1997	Budget Committee		Not Recommended 1997	or (added)
						Recommended Ensuing Fiscal Year 1997	Recommended Ensuing Fiscal Year 1997		
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation							
189		Culverts	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	(\$500)	
190		Telephone	\$800	\$721.20	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$0	
191		Heat	\$1,500	\$2,183.33	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	
192		Electric	\$1,500	\$1,767.04	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$0	
193		Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	\$9,000	\$8,974.01	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$9,000	(\$1,000)	
194		Spare Tires	\$2,000	\$1,254.94	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,000	(\$500)	
195		Equipment Rental	\$15,000	\$14,797.85	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$15,000	(\$2,500)	
196		Building Maintenance & Repair	\$2,000	\$778.61	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	
197		Supplies	\$3,000	\$4,247.69	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	
198		Roadside Maintenance	\$6,000	\$5,967.44	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	
199		Road Signs	\$0	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	(\$2,000)	
200		Engineer Fees	\$1,000	\$330.00	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	
201		Miscellaneous	\$1,000	\$71.26	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$0	
202		Subtotal Regular:	\$161,007	\$151,490.10	\$169,350	\$176,350	\$176,350	(\$7,000)	
203									
204		WINTER:							
205		Wages - Winter	\$50,625	\$44,204.69	\$51,350	\$51,350	\$51,350	\$0	
206		Benefits - Winter	\$11,401	\$12,852.09	\$13,750	\$14,196	\$14,196	(\$446)	
207		Motor Fuel - Winter	\$8,000	\$7,037.34	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0	
208		Materials - Winter	\$25,000	\$35,186.66	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	
209		Vehicle Maintenance & Repair - Winter	\$10,000	\$12,482.64	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	
210		Contract Snow Plowing	\$1,000	\$1,690.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
211		Subtotal Winter:	\$106,026	\$113,453.42	\$108,100	\$108,546	\$108,546	(\$446)	
212									
213		SECONDARY ROAD BLOCK GRANT:							
214		Wages - Block Grant	\$7,200	\$9,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
215		Benefits - Block Grant	\$2,894	\$3,362.20	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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6			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
7			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensuing	Recommended
8			1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act						or (added)
10	No	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation				1997	
216		Upgrade Project - Block Grant	\$46,800	\$48,078.24	\$64,304	\$64,304	\$0
217		Equipment Rental - Block Grant	\$3,421	\$6,562.80	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
218		Subtotal Secondary Road Block Grant:	\$60,315	\$67,003.24	\$65,804	\$65,804	\$0
219							
220		4312 Highways and Streets:	\$327,348	\$331,946.76	\$343,254	\$350,700	(\$7,446)
221							
222		4316 Street Lighting:	\$2,000	\$1,841.96	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
223							
224		4323 Solid Waste Collection:					
225		Wages	\$2,704	\$2,503.52	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$0
226		Hazardous Waste Pick-Up Day	\$1,000	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
227		Recycling	\$4,000	\$5,268.40	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0
228		4323 Solid Waste Collection:	\$7,704	\$7,771.92	\$9,700	\$9,700	\$0
229							
230		4324 Solid Waste Disposal:	\$41,000	\$42,895.50	\$45,000	\$45,000	\$0
231							
232		4415 Health Agencies & Hospitals:					
233		Salary, Health Officer	\$400	\$400.00	\$400	\$400	\$0
234		Health Officer Expenses	\$200	\$0.00	\$200	\$200	\$0
235		Visiting Nurse Alliance	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
236		Headrest	\$1,250	\$1,250.00	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$0
237		Hospice	\$400	\$400.00	\$400	\$400	\$0
238		Wise	\$250	\$250.00	\$250	\$250	\$0
239		4415 Health Agencies & Hospitals:	\$12,500	\$12,300.00	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0
240							
241		4442 Direct Assistance:					

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6			Actual	Actual	Selectmen's	Recommended	Not Recommended
7			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended		
8			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations		
9	Act		1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation				1997	or (added)
242		Overseer of Public Welfare Salary	\$2,000	\$2,000.00	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
243		Town Poor	\$15,000	\$7,124.47	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
244		Community Action Outreach (LISTEN)	\$750	\$750.00	\$750	\$750	\$0
245		Grafton Senior Citizens Council	\$500	\$500.00	\$500	\$500	\$0
246		4442 Direct Assistance:	\$18,250	\$10,374.47	\$18,250	\$18,250	\$0
247							
248		4520 Parks and Recreation:					
249		PARKS:					
250		Wages	\$9,913	\$11,106.49	\$11,250	\$11,250	\$0
251		Gas	\$150	\$33.09	\$150	\$150	\$0
252		Materials	\$100	\$15.53	\$100	\$100	\$0
253		Equipment Maintenance & Repairs	\$200	\$445.56	\$200	\$200	\$0
254		Mower (half of total cost)	\$0	\$0.00	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
255		Miscellaneous	\$150	\$0.00	\$150	\$150	\$0
256		Subtotal Parks:	\$10,513	\$11,600.67	\$15,850	\$15,850	\$0
257		RECREATION:					
258		Waterfront Director Salary	\$3,000	\$2,500.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
259		Lifeguards Wages	\$5,500	\$4,730.00	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
260		Camp Director Salary	\$1,500	\$2,500.00	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
261		Camp Staff Wages	\$2,500	\$1,938.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
262		Telephone	\$600	\$662.71	\$600	\$600	\$0
263		Electricity	\$400	\$227.03	\$300	\$300	\$0
264		Rubbish Removal	\$300	\$0.00	\$300	\$300	\$0
265		Pumping & Porta Potty	\$750	\$713.00	\$750	\$750	\$0
266		Summer Recreation. Repairs & Maintenance	\$500	\$1,215.30	\$750	\$750	\$0
267		Summer Recreation New Equipment	\$950	\$732.23	\$600	\$600	\$0

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7		Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensuing	Recommended
8		1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act				1997	or (added)
10	No.					
268	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation					
269	Recreation Programs	\$80	\$0.00	\$200	\$200	\$0
270	Miscellaneous	\$100	\$543.80	\$0	\$0	\$0
271	Subtotal Recreation:	\$16,180	\$15,762.07	\$16,500	\$16,500	\$0
272						
273	4520 Parks and Recreation:	\$26,693	\$27,362.74	\$32,350	\$32,350	\$0
274	4550 Library:					
275	Librarian Salary	\$24,656	\$24,655.56	\$25,400	\$25,400	\$0
276	Librarian Benefits	\$3,636	\$3,438.84	\$4,100	\$4,100	\$0
277	Librarian's Vacation Replacement Salary	\$900	\$900.00	\$0	\$900	(\$900)
278	Assistant Librarian Wages	\$7,256	\$7,172.52	\$7,450	\$7,450	\$0
279	Janitor Wages	\$2,655	\$3,329.13	\$2,750	\$3,600	(\$850)
280	Office Supplies & Postage	\$400	\$663.71	\$400	\$400	\$0
281	Books, Videos & Magazines	\$5,000	\$6,367.39	\$5,250	\$5,250	\$0
282	Library Trustees Dues/Seminars	\$100	\$90.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
283	Librarian's Dues/Seminars	\$650	\$640.80	\$700	\$700	\$0
284	Telephone	\$1,000	\$1,129.87	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
285	Heat	\$1,500	\$1,787.45	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
286	Electricity	\$2,900	\$3,509.67	\$2,900	\$2,900	\$0
287	Water	\$200	\$41.24	\$200	\$200	\$0
288	Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$1,490	\$3,708.83	\$1,490	\$1,490	\$0
289	Snow/Window/Rug Cleaning	\$1,000	\$1,140.00	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$0
290	Fire Inspection	\$250	\$250.00	\$250	\$250	\$0
291	Foundation Repair	\$3,000	\$188.15	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
292	Other Expenses	\$100	\$0.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
293	4550 Library:	\$56,693	\$59,013.16	\$58,340	\$60,090	(\$1,750)

	A	B	C		D	E	F		G
			Actual	Actual	Actual	Selectmen's	Recommended	Budget Committee	
6			Appropriations	Expenditures	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Not
7			Prior Year	Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensnung	Ensnung	Recommended
8			1996	1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act						1997	1997	or (added)
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation							
294	4583	Patriotic Purposes:	\$650	\$642.96		\$650	\$650	\$650	\$0
295		(Memorial Day and Flags)							
296									
297	4611	Conservation Commission:							
298		NH Association Dues	\$125	\$150.00		\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
299		Education	\$350	\$196.00		\$300	\$300	\$300	\$0
300		Environmental Monitoring	\$100	\$0.00		\$150	\$150	\$150	\$0
301		Monitoring Fund	\$100	\$70.00		\$100	\$100	\$100	\$0
302		Postage and Supplies	\$50	\$49.79		\$50	\$50	\$50	\$0
303		4611 Conservation Commission:	\$725	\$465.79		\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
304									
305	4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Note:	\$12,300	\$9,677.77		\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0
306									
307		TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES:	\$875,941	\$842,770.66		\$922,309	\$932,596	\$932,596	(\$10,287)
308									
309									
CAPITAL EXPENSES									
310	4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment:							
311		Emergency Major Equipment Rebuilding	\$18,800	\$5,920.04		\$15,800	\$15,800	\$15,800	\$0
312		Equipment Reserve Vehicle	\$20,000	\$19,693.05		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
313		Equipment Reserve, Heavy	\$135,000	\$134,875.00		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
314		Fire Fighter Equipment (Bessie M. Hall)	\$5,500	\$1,037.45		\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0
315		4902 Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment:	\$179,300	\$161,525.54		\$21,300	\$21,300	\$21,300	\$0
316									
317	4903	Buildings:							
318		Overhead Doors for Fire Station (L.U.C.T.)	\$5,500	\$5,350.00		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
319		Academy Building - Consultant/Architect (L.U.C.T.)	\$1,500	\$700.00		\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
			Actual	Actual	Selectmen's	Budget Committee	
6			Appropriations	Expenditures	Recommended	Recommended	Not
7			Prior Year	Prior Year	Appropriations	Ensuing	Recommended
8			1996	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997
9	Act					1997	or (added)
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation					
320		Lyme Center Academy Building Capital Reserve Fun	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$4,000	(\$4,000)
321		Lyme Center Academy Building Gifts and Donations	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$1,000	(\$1,000)
322		4903 Buildings:	\$7,000	\$6,050.00	\$2,500	\$7,500	(\$5,000)
323							
324		4909 Improvements Other than Buildings:					
325		Chase Beach - Potable Water (L.U.C.T.)	\$1,000	\$559.18	\$0	\$0	\$0
326		Post Pond - Ball Field Improvements (L.U.C.T.)	\$5,000	\$3,300.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
327		Cemetery Improvements (L.U.C.T.)	\$3,000	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
328		Beal Cemetery Stone Wall and Tree Maintenance (L.	\$2,000	\$640.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
329		Road Project - Acorn Hill	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
330		Road Project - Market Street	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
331		Emergency Highway Repair Fund	\$0	\$0.00	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$0
332		Property Reappraisal	\$0	\$0.00	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
333		4909 Improvements Other than Buildings:	\$11,000	\$4,499.18	\$57,000	\$57,000	\$0
334							
335		Total - Capital Outlay:	\$197,300	\$172,074.72	\$80,800	\$85,800	(\$5,000)
336							
337		4914 To Capital Reserve:					
338		Bridge Reserve	\$5,000	\$5,000.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
339		Vehicle Capital Reserve	\$40,000	\$40,000.00	\$40,000	\$41,000	(\$1,000)
340		Heavy Equipment Reserve	\$12,500	\$12,500.00	\$15,000	\$16,000	(\$1,000)
341		Property Reappraisal	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
342		Lyme Center Academy Building Renovation Capital	\$2,000	\$2,000.00	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
343		Major Highway Rebuilding Fund	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
344		Emergency Highway Repair Fund	\$0	\$0.00	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$0
345		Public Works Facility Reserve	\$0	\$0.00	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0

	A	B	C		D		E		F		G
			Actual	Actual	Expenditures	Selectmen's	Recommended	Budget Committee	Recommended	Not	
6			Prior Year	Prior Year	1996	1997	Fiscal Year	1997	Enacting	1997	
7											
8											
9	Act										
10	No.	Purpose of Expenditure/Appropriation									
346		Public Land Acquisition Reserve (includes \$5,000 L.	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	
347		4914 To Capital Reserve:	\$79,500	\$79,500.00	\$79,500.00	\$166,500	\$168,500	\$168,500	\$168,500	(\$2,000)	
348											
349		4916 To Trust Fund Agency Funds:									
350		Emergency Major Equipment Rebuilding	\$3,000	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	
351		4916 To Trust Fund Agency Funds:	\$3,000	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	
352											
353		Total - Transfers Out:	\$82,500	\$82,500.00	\$82,500.00	\$169,500	\$171,500	\$171,500	\$171,500	(\$2,000)	
354											
355		TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSES:	\$279,800	\$254,574.72	\$254,574.72	\$250,300	\$257,300	\$257,300	\$257,300	(\$7,000)	
356											
357		TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$1,155,741	\$1,097,345.38	\$1,097,345.38	\$1,172,609	\$1,189,896	\$1,189,896	\$1,189,896	(\$17,287)	

	A	B	C				D	E	F	G
REVENUES and CREDITS										
	Source of Revenue		Estimated Revenues Prior Year 1996	Actual Revenues Prior Year 1996	Selectmen's Budget Ensuing Fiscal Year 1997	Budget Comm Estimated Revenues Fiscal Year 1997	Difference Between Selectmen & Budget Comm 1997			
351										
352										
353										
354										
355										
356										
357										
358	3120 Land Use Change Taxes:		\$18,000	\$10,549.18	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0			
359										
360	3185 Yield Taxes:		\$15,000	\$21,864.68	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0			
361										
362	3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes:		\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0			
363										
364	3190 Interest & Penalty on Delinquent Taxes:									
365	Interest on Delinquent Taxes		\$25,000	\$20,593.72	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0			
366	Tax Sale Costs		\$1,750	\$0.00	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0			
367	Tax Penalties		\$1,750	\$2,867.12	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0			
368	Tax Overpayments & Miscellaneous.		\$0	\$311.86	\$0	\$0	\$0			
369	3190 Interest & Penalty on Delinquent Taxes:		\$28,500	\$23,772.70	\$23,500	\$23,500	\$0			
370										
371	3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees:		\$160,000	\$185,575.05	\$190,000	\$190,000	\$0			
372										
373	3290 Other, Licenses, Permits & Fees:									
374	Dog Licenses & Penalties		\$2,000	\$1,625.00	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0			
375	Town Clerk Miscellaneous		\$300	\$501.50	\$300	\$300	\$0			
376	Clerk Fees		\$8,500	\$8,449.00	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$0			
377	3290 Other, Licenses, Permits & Fees:		\$10,800	\$10,575.50	\$11,300	\$11,300	\$0			
378										
379	3351 Shared Revenue:		\$60,404	\$58,657.92	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$0			
380										
381	3353 Highway Block Grant:		\$60,315	\$60,315.24	\$65,804	\$65,804	\$0			

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	Source of Revenue			Selectmen's	Budget Comm	Difference
352		Estimated	Actual	Budget	Estimated	Between
353		Revenues	Revenues	Ensuing	Revenues	Selectmen &
354		Prior Year	Prior Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Budget Comm
355		1996	1996	1997	1997	1997
356						
357						
382						
383	3356 State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement:					
384	National Park Service	\$5,000	\$4,151.00	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
385	Forest Fire Fighting and Training	\$0	\$82.64	\$100	\$100	\$0
386	3356 State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement:	\$5,000	\$4,233.64	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$0
387						
388	3359 Miscellaneous State Receipts:	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
389						
390	3401 Income from Departments:					
391	Planning Board	\$2,750	\$1,620.40	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
392	Zoning	\$7,500	\$8,341.41	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$0
393	Home Health	\$17,250	\$19,733.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
394	Police	\$25	\$7,215.00	\$25	\$25	\$0
395	Copier	\$500	\$496.35	\$500	\$500	\$0
396	School Library Services	\$15,634	\$15,312.00	\$16,505	\$16,505	\$0
397	Highway	\$200	\$4,225.00	\$100	\$100	\$0
398	Conservation Commission (Town Forest)	\$0	\$0.00	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
399	Fire Department	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
400	Recreation Committee (Summer Camp)	\$0	\$0.00	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
401	Miscellaneous	\$0	\$14,459.83	\$100	\$100	\$0
402	3401 Income from Departments:	\$43,859	\$71,402.99	\$38,230	\$38,230	\$0
403						
404	3501 Sale of Town Property:	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
405						
406	3502 Interest on Investments:	\$12,300	\$20,919.54	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	Source of Revenue			Selectmen's	Budget Comm	Difference
		Estimated	Actual	Budget	Estimated	Between
		Revenues	Revenues	Ensuig	Revenues	Selectmen &
		Prior Year	Prior Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Budget Comm
		1996	1996	1997	1997	1997
352						
353						
354						
355						
356						
357						
407						
408	3509 Other:					
409	Dividends & Return of Contributions	\$25,000	\$31,874.62	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
410	Payment (DC Skiway)	\$2,250	\$2,250.00	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$0
411	Payment (UDS)	\$3,000	\$3,500.00	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
412	Legal Reimbursements	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
413	Ambulance Reimbursement	\$500	\$336.20	\$500	\$500	\$0
414	Refunds	\$0	\$2,144.56	\$0	\$0	\$0
415	3509 Other:	\$30,750	\$40,105.38	\$31,250	\$31,250	\$0
416						
417	3915 Capital Reserve Fund:					
418	Emergency Major Equipment Rebuild Fund	\$18,800	\$5,920.04	\$15,800	\$15,800	\$0
419	Vehicle Capital Reserve	\$20,000	\$19,693.05	\$0	\$0	\$0
420	Heavy Equipment Reserve	\$135,000	\$134,875.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
421	Major Highway Rebuild Fund	\$0	\$0.00	\$92,000	\$92,000	\$0
422	Emergency Highway Repair Fund	\$0	\$0.00	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$0
423	Lyme Center Academy Building Capital Reserve Fun	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$4,000	(\$4,000)
424	Lyme Center Academy Building Gifts and Donations	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$1,000	(\$1,000)
425	Property Reappraisal	\$0	\$0.00	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
426	3915 Capital Reserve Fund:	\$173,800	\$160,488.09	\$164,800	\$169,800	(\$5,000)
427						
428	3916 Trust and Agency Funds:					
429	Fire Fighter Equipment (Hall)	\$5,500	\$1,037.45	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0
430	Reimbursements Perpetual Care Trust	\$4,500	\$1,958.00	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
431	3916 Trust and Agency Funds:	\$10,000	\$2,995.45	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
352		Source of Revenue			Selectmen's	Budget Comm	Difference
353			Estimated	Actual	Budget	Estimated	Between
354			Revenues	Revenues	Ensuing	Revenues	Selectmen &
355			Prior Year	Prior Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Budget Comm
356			1996	1996	1997	1997	1997
357							
432							
433		TOTAL REVENUES and CREDITS	\$628,728	\$671,455.36	\$644,984	\$649,984	(\$5,000)

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF LYME

Buildings:

Library	38	Union Street	Map 201	Lot 38
Jail	2	Pleasant Street	Map 201	Lot 94.1
Fire Station	44	High Street	Map 201	Lot 103
Town Garage	24	High Street	Map 201	Lot 110
Bath House etc.	115	Orford Road	Map 407	Lot 5
Academy Building	183	Dorchester Road	Map 409	Lot 18

Cemeteries:

Old Lyme Cemetery	1	Pleasant Street	Map 201	Lot 78
Highland Cemetery	34	High Street	Map 201	Lot 108
Gilbert Cemetery	240	River Road	Map 402	Lot 72
Porter Cemetery	597	River Road	Map 405	Lot 25
Beal Cemetery	517	Dorchester Road	Map 420	Lot 5

Land:

Description		Map	Lot	Acreage	
1	On The Common	Map 201	Lot 28	1.40	acres
38	Union Street	Map 201	Lot 38	0.44	acres
39	Union Street	Map 201	Lot 59	0.38	acres
1	Pleasant Street	Map 201	Lot 78	3.70	acres
20	Pleasant Street	Map 201	Lot 89	2.80	acres
6	John Tomson Way	Map 201	Lot 93.1	0.16	acres
2	Pleasant Street	Map 201	Lot 94.1	0.07	acres
44	High Street	Map 201	Lot 103	1.28	acres
34	High Street	Map 201	Lot 108	3.30	acres
28	High Street	Map 201	Lot 109.2	0.55	acres
24	High Street	Map 201	Lot 110	4.10	acres
30	Wilmott Way	Map 401	Lot 62	1.30	acres
39	Shoestrapp Road	Map 402	Lot 39	1.80	acres
597	River Road	Map 405	Lot 25	0.36	acres
69	Mud Turtle Pond Road	Map 406	Lot 29	8.90	acres
85	Orfordville Road	Map 406	Lot 30	257.30	acres
115	Orford Road	Map 407	Lot 5	33.00	acres
110	Pinnacle Road	Map 407	Lot 121	0.57	acres
96	Post Pond Lane	Map 408	Lot 11	11.30	acres
92	Post Pond Lane	Map 408	Lot 12	2.60	acres
171	Acorn Hill Road	Map 408	Lot 68	0.04	acres
183	Dorchester Road	Map 409	Lot 18	1.30	acres
17	Canaan Ledge Lane	Map 413	Lot 19	2.70	acres
25	Canaan Ledge Lane	Map 413	Lot 20	19.00	acres
339	Dorchester Road	Map 414	Lot 33	0.11	acres
379	Dorchester Road	Map 414	Lot 39	0.54	acres

Land: continued...

Description		Map	Lot		Acreage	
76	Hardscrabble Lane	Map 415	Lot	3	303.9	acres
517	Dorchester Road	Map 420	Lot	5	0.57	acres
637	Dorchester Road	Map 421	Lot	1	.21	acres
639	Dorchester Road	Map 421	Lot	2	.09	acres
640	Dorchester Road	Map 421	Lot	14	0.19	acres
638	Dorchester Road	Map 421	Lot	15	.11	acres



COMPARATIVE ASSESSMENTS AND TAX RATES

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL ASSESSED</u>	<u>VALUATION (+/-)</u>	<u>TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES</u>	<u>SERVICE EXEMPTION</u>	<u>TAX RATE PER/\$1000</u>
1986	39,013,748	(190,760)	1,193,090	7,600	30.58
1987	39,301,313	287,565	1,392,053	8,200	35.42
1988	40,972,056	1,670,743	1,494,251	8,200	36.47
1989	42,633,795	1,661,739	1,782,519	7,800	41.81
1990	44,718,343	2,084,548	1,919,957	15,900	43.29
1991	112,584,101	67,865,758	2,227,701	16,100	19.93
1992	114,085,704	1,501,603	2,366,210	15,900	20.88
1993	115,532,392	1,446,688	2,496,655	15,700	21.61
1994	118,630,964	3,098,572	2,639,539	15,600	22.25
1995	119,333,618	702,654	2,958,280	15,400	24.79
1996	123,768,739	4,435,121	3,070,243	15,200	24.92

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

Summary of Activity:

Cash on Hand January 1, 1996	1,161,433.10
Deposits	6,297,323.74
Disbursements	(6,284,041.12)
Cash on Hand December 31, 1996	<u>1,174,715.72</u>

Note:
The Grafton County Tax was 213,930.
The Tax Anticipation Note (line of credit) was \$1,200,000, of which we used \$1,100,000.

Balance Sheet

Assets

Cash in Hands of Treasurer (General Fund)	
Mascoma Savings Bank	28,758.97
Ledyard National Bank	9,374.40
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	1,136,582.35
	<u>1,174,715.72</u>

Unredeemed Taxes	
Levy of 1995	48,549.69
Levy of 1994	30,036.25
Levy of 1993	1,370.84
	<u>79,956.78</u>

Uncollected Taxes	
Property Tax 1996	297,816.03
Yield Tax 1996	1,978.22
Land Use Change Tax 1996	10,204.80
	<u>309,999.05</u>

Reserve for Uncollectible Accounts	(17,479.70)
Due from Capital Reserves and Trust Funds	<u>12,128.54</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>1,559,320.39</u></u>

Liabilities and Fund Equity

Accounts Owed by the Town	
School District Taxes Payable	1,063,190.00
Vendor Accounts	103.50
Total Liabilities	<u>1,063,293.50</u>

Undesignated Fund Balance	470,569.69
Land Use Change Tax Escrow 1995	3,400.00
Land Use Change Tax Escrow 1996	22,057.20
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity, Dec. 31, 1995	<u>1,559,320.39</u>
Undesignated Fund Balance December 31, 1996	470,569.69
Undesignated Fund Balance December 31, 1995	<u>319,278.88</u>
Change in financial condition	151,290.81

None of the fund balance was applied to lower the tax rate in 1996.

Luane Cole, Treasurer

CONSERVATION FUND

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1996

ACTIVITY	TOTAL COMBINED	CURRENT USE	CHAFFEE WILDLIFE	EASEMENT MONIT.
YTD Interest	5,002.84	4,793.37	119.74	89.74
Town pmt Easement	0.00			0.00
Current Use Pen. 96	11,852.40	11,852.40		
WD Current Use	(3,394.00)	(3,394.00)		
WD Chaffee	(345.00)		(345.00)	
WD Easement	0.00			0.00
Net Activity	\$ 13,116.24	\$ 13,251.77	\$ (225.26)	\$ 89.74
Beginning Balance	<u>\$ 95,548.90</u>	<u>\$ 91,285.58</u>	<u>\$ 2,461.42</u>	<u>\$ 1,801.90</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 108,665.14	\$ 104,537.35	\$ 2,236.16	\$ 1,891.64

<u>Bank/Investment Balances</u>	<u>NHDIP</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>Total</u>
December 31, 1996	106,665.14	2,000.00	108,665.14

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996**

TOWN OF LYME, NH

			Levies of -DR.-	
Uncollected Taxes				
Beginning of Fiscal Year:				Prior
Property Taxes			216,341.60	
Land Use Change Tax				
Yield Taxes			1,215.32	
Taxes Committed This Year				
Property Taxes	3,070,243.29			
Land Use Change Tax	37,389.30			
Yield Taxes	21,864.68			
Overpayment:				
Property Taxes	311.86			
Yield Taxes				
Land Use Change Tax				
Int. Collected on Delinquent Tax	481.70		7,190.89	
Collected Tax Penalties	27.32		1,099.00	
Total Debits	\$3,130,318.15		\$225,846.81	

Remitted to Treas. During FY of:			
	1996	1995	Prior
Property Taxes	2,772,448.83	142,834.83	
Land Use Change Taxes	25,997.80		
Yield Taxes	19,886.46	1,215.32	
Interest on Taxes	481.70	7,190.89	
Penalties	27.32	1,099.00	
Conversion to Lien		73,499.33	
Credits			
Abatements Allowed:			
Property Taxes	290.29	7.44	
Land Use Change Tax	1,186.70		
Yield Taxes			
Uncollected Taxes End of Year:			
Property Taxes	297,816.03		
Land Use Change Taxes	10,204.80		
Yeild Taxes	1,978.22		
Total Credits	\$3,130,318.15	\$225,846.81	

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996**

Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of			
	1995	-DR.- 1994	1993
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		56,972.26	23,889.53
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	77,975.12		
Interest & Cost Collected After Lien Execution			
Interest	949.35	4,211.89	7,165.39
Costs	264.00	671.52	693.50
Overpayments			
Total Debits	\$79,188.47	\$61,855.67	\$31,748.42
			706.28
Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions			
Int/Costs (After Lien Execution)	28,681.73	26,251.50	22,298.10
Interest	949.35	4,211.89	7,165.39
Costs	264.00	671.52	693.50
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes Liens Deeded to Municipalities	743.70	684.51	220.59
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	48,549.69	30,036.25	1,370.84
Total Credits	\$79,188.47	\$61,855.67	\$31,748.42
			706.28

**REPORT OF THE TOWN TRUSTEES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1996**

A. TRUST FUNDS

1. SCHOOL TRUST

a. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 44,677.82
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Additions in 1996 (Capital Gains)

Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$ 3,679.70
Fidelity Fund	\$ 1,175.57
Fidelity Equity - Income Fund	\$ 199.75
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 49,732.84

Investments as of December 31, 1996

Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$ 41,028.07
Fidelity Fund	\$ 5,913.07
Fidelity Equity - Income Fund	\$ 2,791.70
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 49,732.84

b. INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Investment Income	\$ 1,897.53
Expense Account (to Lyme School)	\$ 1,897.53

2. LIBRARY TRUST

a. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 27,393.68
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Additions in 1996 (Capital Gains)

Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$ 2,256.16
Fidelity Fund	\$ 720.79
Fidelity Equity - Income Fund	\$ 122.47
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 30,493.10

Investments as of December 31, 1996

Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$ 25,155.88
Fidelity Fund	\$ 3,625.53
Fidelity Equity - Income Fund	\$ 1,711.69
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 30,493.10

b. INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Investment Income	\$ 1,163.78
Expense Account (to Lyme Library)	\$ 1,163.78

3. CEMETERY TRUST

a. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 254,043.93
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Additions in 1996 (Capital Gains)

Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$ 20,923.28
Fidelity Fund	\$ 6,684.49
Fidelity Equity - Income Fund	\$ 1,159.09
Addition in 1996 (New Trust #156)	\$ 500.00
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 283,310.79

Investments as of December 31, 1996

Fidelity Puritan Fund	\$ 233,290.99
Fidelity Fund	\$ 33,622.51
Fidelity Equity - Income Fund	\$ 16,397.29
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 283,310.79

b. INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Investment Income	\$ 10,793.61
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Expense Account

Lyme Cemetery Commission	\$ 1,958.00
Income Balance Transferred to Surplu	\$ 8,835.61
Perpetual Care Account	

c. SURPLUS PERPETUAL CARE ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 50,411.95
Investment Income	\$ 5,285.55
Transferred from Cemetery Trust Income	\$ 8,835.61
Withdrawals	\$ -
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 64,533.11

**4. EMERGENCY MAJOR EQUIPMENT
REBUILDING TRUST FUND**

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 16,545.54
Deposits	\$ 3,000.00
Income	\$ 833.60
Withdrawal	\$ (5,920.04)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 14,459.10

5. CEMETERY GENERAL MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 3,181.53
Deposits	\$ 600.00
Income	\$ 335.69
Correction Item	\$ (82.55)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 4,034.67

6. BESSIE HALL TRUST (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 8,920.03
Deposits	\$ 3,578.14
Income	\$ 523.79
Withdrawals	\$ (1,037.45)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 11,984.51

B. CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

1. BRIDGE RESERVE FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 106,306.54
Deposits	\$ 5,000.00
Income	\$ 5,027.98
Withdrawals	\$ (14,519.97)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 101,814.55

2. PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 59,036.83
Deposits	\$ 10,000.00
Income	\$ 3,158.67
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 72,195.50

3. HEAVY EQUIPMENT FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 156,604.92
Deposits	\$ 12,500.00
Income	\$ 6,698.86
Withdrawal	\$(134,875.00)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 40,928.78

4. VEHICLE FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 46,238.98
Deposits	\$ 40,000.26
Income	\$ 2,072.96
Withdrawals	\$ (19,693.05)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 68,619.15

5. MAJOR HIGHWAY REBUILDING FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 77,832.56
Deposits	\$ 10,000.00
Income	\$ 4,001.30
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 91,833.86

6. SPECIAL EDUCATION RESERVE FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 979.20
Deposits	\$ 25,000.00
Income	\$ 252.87
Withdrawals	\$ (20,000.00)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 6,232.07

7. HIGH SCHOOL TUITION EXPENDABLE FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 60,352.41
Deposits	\$ 178,000.00
Income	\$ 3,634.63
Withdrawals	\$(113,604.00)
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 128,383.04

8. NEW CEMETERY FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 1,158.93
Deposits	\$ 300.00
Income	\$ 39.77
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 1,498.70

9. LYME CENTER ACADEMY BUILDING RESTORATION FUND

Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 2,000.00
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C. OTHER FUNDS

1. LYME CENTER ACADEMY BUILDING GIFTS AND DONATIONS FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 1,040.78
Deposits	\$ 50.00
Income	\$ 32.44
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 1,123.22

2. SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION FUND

Balance January 1, 1996	\$ 412.32
Income	\$ 12.55
Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 424.87

Ellen Barrett, **Trustee**

Warren P. Goldburgh, **Trustee**

Frederick C. Phillips, **Trustee**

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK FOR 1996

Auto Registration Fees	\$185,621.55
Dog Licenses & Penalties	1,625.00
Town Clerk Fees	8,449.00
Fees to State	1,818.50
Miscellaneous	501.50
Total	\$198,015.55

AUDITOR'S LETTER

VACHON, CLUKAY & CO., PC
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
45 MARKET STREET
MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03101
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February 2, 1997

Board of Selectmen

Town of Lyme

Town Office

Lyme, New Hampshire, 03768

Dear Members of the Board:

On February 2, 1997, we completed the fieldwork in connection with the audit of the Town's 1996 financial statements. Unless we encounter circumstances beyond our control the completed reports will be available within six weeks of that date.

Very truly yours,

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC

David D. Clukay, CPA

SELECTMEN ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The year of 1996 was an eventful year for the Board of Selectmen. In November, Selectman Don Cutter received a "Municipal Volunteer of the Year Award" from the New Hampshire Municipal Association. Mr. Cutter has been involved in municipal affairs as a volunteer, first in Hanover and then in Lyme, since his days as a college student at Dartmouth College in the early 1940s. We applaud him and commend him for his years of service.

The following town-wide projects were completed. The State of New Hampshire re-paved Route 10 from the Hanover town line northward and installed a drainage line to the existing catch basins around the Common. The Lyme Police Department was hired to provide a traffic control officer for part of this project. The Lyme Highway Department rebuilt Pinnacle Road this year. The Recreation Committee contracted to have an artesian well drilled so now there is drinking water at the beach and ball field. The Conservation Commission contracted to have the Town Forest (formerly known as the "Sevigny Forest") logged. The net revenue from this cutting was over \$12,000. The handicapped lift to the Town Offices was repaired, modified and inspected so that it now meets state standards.

The Town made two major purchases this year in accordance with Town Meeting votes. The Town purchased a road grader for the Highway Department and a new Cruiser for the Police Department.

The Selectmen expanded the trash collection hours. The hours are from 8:30AM to 11:00AM on Sundays. The Selectmen will continue to monitor the use of the transfer station between 8:30 AM and 9:00 AM to see if the volume of usage justifies the increase in cost.

We still have several lawsuits pending which we hope will be resolved this year.

The property revaluation scheduled for 1999 will take place over the next three years. This will be the first year of that revaluation process. The Board of Selectmen decided to adopt this plan for doing a revaluation over time in order to save significant moneys. This extended timetable also will enable the appraiser to do a thorough and accurate job of assessing our properties.

The Selectmen would like to thank the many professionals and volunteers who give so much of their knowledge and time to benefit our community. The Selectmen's ability to guide the town is made possible by the cooperation and assistance received from the entire town staff, committee members and individuals who graciously give of their time and knowledge. In particular, we have high praise for our highway department crew for their tireless efforts to keep our roads open and safe. The Highway Department does an excellent job, despite their limited funding. And, of course, we could not exist without our town office staff who keeps us on target and out of trouble. We thank them for their continued assistance.

THE LYME CENTER ACADEMY BUILDING

STUDY COMMITTEE - ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

With ongoing support from the community, which was expressed at several open houses at the Academy in conjunction with the Lyme Historians, and at our public meeting in September, the Study Committee has moved forward with plans for renovations.

In April of this year we hired the architectural firm of Haynes & Garthwaite of Norwich, VT to help us with our vision of the Academy Building as a Lyme Center Arts & History Building. Andrew Garthwaite has assisted us in developing a program that proposes the renovation of the exterior close to its nineteenth century appearance, and the rehabilitation of the interior for use by the community as a meeting space. It will also serve as a home where the Lyme Historians can present and interpret Lyme's history. The second floor open space, with the raised stage, can be used as a gathering/meeting room suitable for recitals, singing, and instrumental groups, and whatever the space will allow. A newly configured set of stairs leading up to the Academy Hall, and a barrier-free bathroom, will ensure a broad and safe use of the building.

The exterior of the building is what most people focus on now; it will get attention first. Once stabilization and exterior renovation, code and systems improvements are completed, the Academy Building will once again be a handsome component of Lyme Center Village.

In anticipation of the town's approval of an article in this year's town warrant the town to vote to allow the use of the Academy Building by the Lyme Historians, the committee has begun to lay the groundwork for funding the project. We will rely on funding from several foundations, as well as interested individuals.

The committee's work is ongoing, and we welcome anyone who would like to participate.

Barbara Roby, Chairman	Mary Daubenspeck	Abbe Murphy
Charles Balch	Julia Elder	William Murphy
Lani Carney	George Hano	Christine Schonenberger
Dorcas Chaffee	Carola Lea	Dorothy W. Sears, Jr.

CEMETERY COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

This year in the Beal Cemetery, the stone wall has been repaired and some hazardous trees along the boundary have been removed.

In the Highland Cemetery benchmarks are in place as reference points for future development of the cemetery. The Board of Selectmen is working on soliciting bids for the newly surveyed road. Landscaping and signage for the new entrance will be completed after the road is finished. The new plantings in the Highland Cemetery continue to do well.

In the Old Cemetery, the deteriorated fence has been removed and the Commission hopes for funding to replace the whole fence.

Cemetery Commission,

Earl Strout

Judy Wagner

William Desch



CONSERVATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

Conservation Easements:

Monitoring is continuing. Where questions have arisen, special site visits have been made and questions answered in a timely fashion.

Education:

The commission has continued to support the Lake Ecology Program of the Department of Environmental Services. It is being supervised by Tom Estill in his 7th grade science class.

The commission made a contribution to a Connecticut River Joint Commissions project, their recently developed River Corridor Management Plan. Lyme has appointed members to the Upper Valley Subcommittee for this project. Copies of the completed plan will be available in the town office for review and guidance.

In late April, in cooperation with the NH Fish and Game Dept., and the NH Audubon Society, we sponsored a Vernal Pools Study Program, to which we invited our town and neighboring Conservation Commissions. We met for a study session and for a forest walk. Both the study meeting and the walk were interesting and informative, though the attendance was not as large as hoped, due to rainy weather.

Wetlands Applications:

Applications for wetlands permits have been simplified. The commission continues site visits in response to notification by the Wetlands Board and makes recommendations to the board as promptly as possible.

Natural Resources Inventory:

By town meeting, we hope to have received our completed maps. They are compatible in scale with those used by the town boards and will be available to the town. We will continue to develop the survey in the coming year.

The Town Forest:

A copy of the Town Forest Management Plan is on file in the town office. The first scheduled logging was completed in late October and a walk with John O'Brien and Northam Parr, Grafton County Forester, Conservation Commission members and interested townspeople was held. A check for the net receipts of this phase, \$12,244.02, was presented to the Town of Lyme for deposit in the General Fund. The town forest has been approved as a State Tree Farm. A sign will be installed in the spring and an educational and planning walk is on our agenda.

Post Pond:

The pond was monitored in mid June by the Goldburghs and the representative of the Department of Environmental Services. The tests indicate continued stability of the pond.

Chaffee Wildlife Sanctuary:

In September, the open fields of the sanctuary were cut and the walking trails were trimmed. This will be done again in 1998, in accordance with our bi-annual plan.

The large sanctuary sign is being refurbished. A small sign is being installed to deter four wheeled vehicles entering to approach the pond.



LYME FAST SQUAD ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The FAST Squad, Lyme's all-volunteer first-response crew for medical emergencies, had a busy and positive year in 1996. We expanded our active membership, purchased badly needed equipment, completed a successful fundraising campaign, and continued to provide a high level of emergency medical care to Lyme residents. Over the past year, the Lyme Fast Squad engaged in the following activities:

- Responded to fifty-one emergency calls.
- Initiated a program to purchase protective clothing for squad members.
- Completed a two-year program to upgrade our radio/communications capabilities with the purchase of one mobile radio and one pager.
- Purchased new backboards and specialized equipment to enhance our ability to care for pediatric patients.
- Hosted, in conjunction with the Lyme Fire Department, a First Responder course taught by Michael Hanchett. Three Lyme residents "graduated" from the course and became active FAST squad members.
- Acquired the capability to administer three life-saving drugs (epinephrine, dextrose, and narcan) on scene. In one case in 1996, the FAST Squad administered epinephrine to a patient with a severe allergic reaction to multiple bee stings.
- Completed a campaign to raise funds to purchase a semi-automatic cardiac defibrillator/monitor. Through a combination of revenues from the annual ski sale and generous private donations, the FAST squad raised \$8,000 to purchase the defibrillator and related equipment, and to provide training for all squad members on its proper and effective use. This lifesaving device should be in by mid-February.

Our plans for 1997 include:

- Continuing a program to purchase protective clothing for squad members.
- Purchasing a jump-kit for one new squad member.
- Co-sponsoring, with the Lyme and Thetford fire departments and Thetford FAST squad, a training course on the Incident Command System during the months of February and March.

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Lyme FAST Squad in 1996 by participating in the ski sale, contributing to the defibrillator campaign, or making a donation. In 1997, we hope to continue to improve the quality of emergency medical care to Lyme residents.

Barney Brannen	Michael Hinsley	Kevin Peterson
Elise Garrity	Dani Ligett	Earl Strout
Michael Hanchett	Jim Mason	Doug Vogt



**LYME VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT - 1996**

The department responded to forty-one calls during 1996, which was slightly fewer than in recent years. Chimney fires, motor vehicle accidents, structural fires, and downed electric wires were among the principal emergencies the department handled, along with mutual aid to the towns of Hanover, Dorchester, and Thetford.

The Fire Department is made up of twenty-five to thirty town residents, both women and men, aged eighteen and up, some of whom have been members for many years and others who have recently joined the organization. Meetings are held monthly at the fire station on High Street on the second Monday evening at 7 PM. If you think you might be interested in joining the department you may talk with any of the members; you are welcome to attend any meeting.

Training is conducted on a regular basis, both in town and at the fire training facility in Post Mills, VT. Classroom training takes place in the new fire station meeting room which is also made available to other town organizations. A majority of members have completed the basic course in fire-fighting; this course is accredited by the State of New Hampshire. Safety procedures, fire-fighting techniques, and familiarization with the equipment are covered, and periodically, courses in emergency medical procedures such as CPR are offered.

911 Emergency calling is up and running. Anyone with questions or problems with the system may call Chief Don Elder.

**TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE
FOREST RANGER - ANNUAL REPORT - 1996**

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing any open burning. Violations of RSA 224:27 II, the fire permit law, and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire, are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the NH Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention, and training programs, as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

The State of New Hampshire operates fifteen fire towers, two mobile patrols, and three contract aircraft patrols. This early detection, as well as reports from citizens, aids in the quick response from local fire departments.

Causes of Fires Reported

Smoking	5
Debris Burning	34
Campfire	16
Power Line	4
Railroad	2
Equipment Use	1
Lightning	2
Children	22
OHRV	1
Miscellaneous	20

Fires Reported by County

Belknap	6
Carroll	7
Cheshire	13
Coos	10
Grafton	12
Hillsborough	19
Merrimack	14
Rockingham	15
Strafford	85
Sullivan	6

“REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!”

Forest Ranger

Stephen M. Kessler

Forest Fire Warden

Alfred Balch

LYME TOWN LIBRARY TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 1996

Circulation - 1996

	Fiction	Non-Fiction	Paperbacks	Cassettes	Video	Magazines
Adult	3077	1656	545	1566	2667	490
Juvenile	6518	2504	508			

Total - 19,531

The Lyme Library has once again had a busy and productive year. The circulation statistics have increased in total numbers; Lyme continues to have high circulation numbers per capita, almost twice the state average. At the same time, demand for inter-library loans has increased during 1996 by 50%. The library computer continues to provide Internet research assistance to school children. The trustees look forward (with the generous gift from the Friends of the Lyme Library) to the addition of a much needed second computer during 1997.

A major improvement to the outside appearance of the Lyme Library was contributed by Ian Pushee. Ian, a former summer intern at the library, took on the improvement as a project toward earning Eagle Scout rank. On Saturday, May 25th, he and his enthusiastic crew spent the day beautifying the library grounds. The Lyme Library salutes Ian for this project.

The library continues to provide programs that appeal to young and old alike. On July 5th a library float was driven in the Lyme parade. The summer theme, "Reading - The Best Game Around," was depicted in the float. Many thanks to young readers, along with Pat and Ben Hudson, for their many hours in creating this float. Another program, "Lyme, our piece of the Planet," was sponsored by the Friends of Lyme Library and the Lyme Conservation Commission. This three week program met with great success. The "Blisters for Books" run, the annual volunteer fund raiser, was extremely successful. The money contributed allows the library to continue the acquisition of new children/youth books plus reference materials. The art shows continue with new and interesting exhibits. Many thanks to Marion Blodgett and Lauri Rich; they give many hours to produce these fine shows.

The Lyme Library could not be opened as many hours, or offer the resources, without loyal volunteers that provide staffing, filing, and general book maintenance. The library had two student interns, Mark George and Emelia Smallidge, that gave more than one hundred hours of their summer vacation, catching up on the back-log of card filing. During the spring, Hanover High School student Laura Ostler selected the Lyme Library as a community project, volunteering an hour on Saturday afternoons.

The Lyme Library received a much needed "new" used card catalog, thanks to trustee Peg Ackerson. The card catalog was delivered with the assistance of her co-workers at Creare and installed with the help of trustee Greg Gorman.

The Lyme Library trustees have tackled many problems that are occurring with the library building. There were numerous leaks in the roof that were discovered with this very wet year. Another continuing problem the trustees are resolving is the exterior building/driveway drainage, and leakage into the basement town offices. We have initiated plans to resolve this situation in the upcoming year.

The Lyme Library continues to provide excellent service and information resources to the Town of Lyme. Because of the dual use of the library as a school library, statistically the Lyme Library receives as many reference questions as Hanover's Howe Library and is open almost as many hours. It should also be noted that Howe Library has seven times as many paid staff. The town of Lyme is lucky to have such a great resource in our own backyard.



PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The Lyme Planning Board met twenty-one times in 1996. The board developed and adopted a comprehensive set of revisions to the Subdivision Regulations. Seven subdivision proposals were informally reviewed. The board approved three boundary line adjustments; one subdivision application was submitted for preliminary review; two minor subdivisions, creating a total of two new lots, were approved.

The Planning Board wrote amendments to the Zoning Ordinance that were adopted at Town Meeting in 1996. A new set of zoning amendments is proposed for consideration at the 1997 Town Meeting. These are listed elsewhere in this report. Two public hearings on zoning amendments were held. The board met jointly with the Zoning Board of Adjustment on four occasions. Discussions regarding amendments to the Zoning Ordinance occurred six times during the year.

The Planning Board held a hearing on tree cutting on Highbridge Road, a scenic road in town. In addition to issuing driveway permits, the Planning Board visited all of the active gravel pits in town, reviewed the operations, and re-permitted them.

The Planning Board has requested money this year to contribute to developing a tax parcel map which will make it possible to retrieve natural resource, tax and permit information, about each lot in town. The parcel map is the necessary base map for creating a land use map and analyzing different land use futures for the Town Master Plan.

Special thanks to our alternates: Elsie McCarthy, William Ploog, and Tony Pippin, for their time and dedication. Thanks to Fred Stearns for his assistance in issuing driveway permits.

The board meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. You are welcome to attend.



TOWN OF LYME POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
1. ACTIVITY		
A. Complaint/Service Request	355	441
B. Motor Vehicle Summons	41	50
C. Criminal Arrest	10	8
D. House Checks	145	146
E. Intrusion Alarms	26	17
F. Court Actions	26	16
G. Motor Vehicle Accidents	41	35
2. MANPOWER SUMMARY		
A. Chief	2441	2459
B. Other	<u>172.5</u>	<u>238</u>
C. Total	2613.5	2697
3. FINANCIAL		
A. Expenditures for 1996	\$45,382.55	\$53,139.72
1. Excluding reimbursed expenditures for Pike Ind., Inc.		\$47,769.22
B. Percent of Budget Expended	96%	100.3%
1. Excluding reimbursed expenditures for Pike Ind., Inc.		93%
4. CRUISER USAGE		
A. Miles Driven	11,112	11,334
B. Gasoline Consumption	864	882
C. Average Miles Per Gallon	13.3	12.7

RECREATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The Lyme Recreation Committee oversees youth sports programs, summer activities at Post Pond, and special family events throughout the year. We gather at the Alden Inn on the first Monday of each month, and always welcome public participation in our meetings.

Again this year, the committee relied heavily on its "commissioners" to carry out programs or events. These tireless individuals deserve special mention in the town report, both as a way of saying "thanks" and to provide direction for your questions or suggestions (or even offers of help!).

<u>Activity</u>	<u>"Commissioners"</u>
Bonfire & Skating Party	Tom Ball, Will Pushee
Skiing Program	Jacqui Doucette-Malcolm, Christine Taylor
Winter Carnival	J.J. Pippin, Mike Kelly, Dina Cutting
Youth Baseball	Mant Copeland, Dan Freihofer
Post Pond	Allen Newton
Basketball	Jim Johnson
Tennis	Jeff Lehman
July 4 Fireworks	J. J. Pippin
Soccer	Steve Small
Pumpkin Festival	Ellen Mulvihill

This past summer, Allen Newton joined us as waterfront director. He helped implement a number of new policies which grew out of last year's town-wide public survey. This year's agenda includes the updating of our youth sports policies, as well as a search for more playing fields for our growing baseball, softball, and soccer programs.

Thanks for everyone's help in making 1996 another successful year!!

Dan Freihofer, Recreation Director

TROUT POND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

A generous Lyme resident is in the process of giving the town a parcel of land adjoining the town's Trout Pond parcel. The Federal Government is involved in this transaction and the process is moving at a glacial pace. The donor's wish is that his gift be integrated with, and managed jointly with, the existing Trout Pond property.

Because the addition of this parcel would drastically alter the layout of the woodland improvement roads (that would become the Trout Pond Trail System), the Management Committee has been awaiting the completion of the gift.

It is anticipated that the gift will be completed in 1997 and the layout of the roads/trails will then proceed with forestry improvement management following.

Putnam Blodgett, Chairman

Joan Goldburgh

Wayne Pike

Alfred Balch

Ben Hudson

Brian Rich

Don Elder

Ben Kilham

Eric Sailer



UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

Representatives from river front towns in the Upper Valley have been meeting monthly to complete the river corridor management plan. Our subcommittee, made up of appointed citizens representing local business, agriculture, local government, river front landowners, recreation, and conservation, has been looking into the river issues we consider important to each community in the Upper Valley. We, and the other four subcommittees, have created this plan completely by consensus. This is truly an historic event: no one has ever attempted to construct a citizen-based plan for a river as large as the Connecticut, and certainly not on a bi-state basis.

The plan provides a home-grown blueprint for the way all of us - communities, landowners, businesses, agencies - can recognize what an asset a great river like the Connecticut can be to our towns.

The plan focuses on water quality, aquatic habitat, wildlife, endangered species, agriculture, recreation and access, bank erosion, and development. This year we have met with a number of experts in an attempt to inform ourselves about these issues.

The subcommittee learned that one of the greatest threats to water quality, aquatic habitat, and water-based recreation, is bank erosion, a very complicated issue. Our study has also shown that our towns should consider carefully the potential effects of allowing development too close to the river. Flooding this spring and summer demonstrated that the river will use its floodplain for flood storage.

The plan is now being prepared for printing and will be ready for public review this spring. The Connecticut River Joint Commissions will invite the Planning, Zoning, and Conservation Commissions, Selectmen, and the public, to consider which of its findings and recommendations our town might consider for adoption. We welcome anyone who is interested in learning more about the plan to contact us.

The Upper Valley River Subcommittee of the CRJC, formed in 1993 under the NH Rivers Management and Protection Act, includes river front towns from Piermont to Lebanon, NH, and Bradford to Hartford, VT. In addition to preparing the plan, the subcommittee advises the states and the CRJC on actions that could affect the river. The subcommittee is advisory and has no regulatory powers. All meetings are open to the public and take place on the third Monday of each month from 7-9 PM at the Lyme Town Office. Citizens are encouraged to attend and contribute their ideas. If you wish to serve on the subcommittee, please contact the selectmen.

Freda Swan, Member
Jean McIntyre, Member

Karen Henry, Alternate

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission is a voluntary association of thirty-one towns. The commission is concerned with the development of comprehensive plans for beneficial and balanced economic, environmental, and social growth in the Region. It functions as a research, resource, and informational agency, and when appropriate, acts to obtain Federal, State, and other approvals, grants-in-aid, loans, and similar assistance for individual member towns and for the region. The commission provides technical assistance to member communities in the areas of planning (land use, transportation, water quality, etc.), mapping, community development, grantsmanship, and grant administration. In addition, regional studies and projects, including our Regional Transportation Plan, household hazardous waste collections, and the Connecticut River Scenic Byway Study, are undertaken to the benefit of more than one community.

In the past year, services, such as our Planning Board training series, and library, which features maps, planning resources, and US Census data, were available to all of our member communities. There is also available a complete list of services which benefit members of the commission.

In 1996, our work specifically for the Town of Lyme included:

- Wrote successful grant application to fund and staff an economic development program for our ten Grafton County communities.
- Provided shore land statute information to the Planning Board.
- Requested and reviewed hillside and ridge line protection regulations from across the country.
- Drafted zoning ordinance and subdivision regulation amendments.
- Assisted appraiser in interpreting subdivision regulations and zoning ordinance to determine highest and best use.
- Helped Planning Board determine the best way to produce a digital land use map.
- Met with Planning Board to review Scenic Byway Inventory.
- Created and provided map of agricultural lands, prime agricultural soils, and protected lands.
- Conducted traffic counts at six locations.
- Developed GIS base map and provided GIS maps of soils, slopes, historic sites, wildlife habitat, deer yards, and wetlands, to the Conservation Commission.

Our commission looks forward to continuing to serve the Town of Lyme in the coming year.

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION SERVICES WHICH BENEFIT ALL MEMBER COMMUNITIES

- Consult and help residents of member communities when asked.
- Meet with state officials and agency representatives to influence policy and to help keep the region an active participant in many ongoing programs. This includes activity with transportation, solid waste, economic development, and environmental regulatory agencies, in both New Hampshire and Vermont.
- Maintain a library of regional data, maps and planning resources, and answer many requests for information.
- Use the Geographical Information System (GIS) to perform mapping and analyses for member towns.
- Assist the Upper Valley Solid Waste District in dealing with solid waste issues. Provide general staff support for the district.
- Provide administrative support for the Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program.
- Work in cooperation with the Sullivan County Economic Development Commission and the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation.
- Sponsor local sessions of the NH Municipal Law Lecture Series.
- Provide technical assistance to Advance Transit.
- Use the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee to develop regional policies and recommendations for the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Provide data about our regional build out analysis which forecast the population and number of dwellings in the region when totally built out.
- Revise and update the Regional Plan.
- Comply with applicable Vermont Act 200 requirements at the local, regional, and state level, including participation in the Council of Regional Commissions.
- Participate in Vermont Act 250 reviews.
- Sponsor planning board training sessions in New Hampshire and Vermont.

- Work with Upper Valley Land Trust and the Society for the Protection of NH Forests to protect open space and conserve important parcels of land.
- Participate in and work with the Connecticut River Valley Resource Commission.
- Review land use controls and master plans, and suggest amendments.
- Update the Regional Profile, a compendium of information about the region. Many businesses use this resource.
- Focus on the regional economy through our Economic Initiative Project.

Vicki Smith, Executive Director
Freda Swan, Chairman
David Roby, Member-at-large



**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT -1996**

With the appointment of two new alternate members at the end of December 1996, the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) enters the new year at full strength; five regular members and three alternates. Stephen Maddock continued to serve as Zoning Administrator for all of 1996.

Ninety-one applications for building or zoning permits were filed with the Zoning Administrator during 1996. Of those, seventy-two building permits were issued, eleven were permit renewals, and the balance were withdrawn or have not yet been acted upon. Where an application requires a special exception, a variance, or is denied by the Zoning Administrator, the case is sent to the ZBA. During 1996 the ZBA heard twenty-two cases, twenty-one of them seeking special exceptions and one appealing an administrative decision; seventeen cases were decided during the year with the balance still pending or handled in 1997; thirteen special exceptions were granted, one special exception was denied, one appeal was denied, and two cases were withdrawn.

ZBA meetings are normally scheduled for the first Thursday of every month, holidays excepted. There were eight such regular meetings, and seven other meetings to continue hearings or to meet the special needs of applicants.

Times and agendas of the ZBA meetings are posted. Applicants and abutters are notified by mail. ZBA meetings, both testimony and deliberations, are open to the public. Decisions, minutes, and recordings of its meetings are available to the public in the Lyme Town Offices.

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. works through its local programs to enhance the health and well being of our older citizens and to assist them to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. In eight locations throughout the county, including Plymouth, Bristol, Canaan, Lebanon, Orford, Haverhill, Littleton and Lincoln, older adults and their families are able to obtain services such as home delivered meals, senior dining room programs, transportation, social work services, information and referral, health and educational programs, adult day care, recreation, and opportunities to be of service to the community through volunteering.

During 1996, fifty-one older residents of Lyme were able to make use of one or more of GCSCC's services. These individuals enjoyed balanced meals in the company of friends in a senior dining room, received hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers, were transported to health care providers or other community resources by our lift-equipped buses, and found opportunities to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through volunteer service. The cost to provide these services for Lyme residents was \$4,210.54.

Community based services, provided by GCSCC and its many volunteers for older residents of Lyme, were often important to their efforts to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care, despite chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars and contributing to the quality of life of our older friends and neighbors.

GCSCC very much appreciates the support of the Lyme community for services which enhance the independence and dignity of our older citizens and assists them to meet the challenges of aging in place.

Carol W. Dustin, Executive Director

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.
STATISTICS FOR THE TOWN OF LYME
OCTOBER 1, 1995 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

During this fiscal year, GCSCC served 51 Lyme residents (out of 272 residents over 60, 1990 Census).

	Type of	Units of		Unit(1)	Total Cost
<u>Services</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>=</u> <u>of Service</u>
Congregate/Home					
Delivered	Meals	797	x	\$ 4.91	\$ 3,913.27
Transportation	Trips	18	x	\$ 6.47	\$ 116.46
Adult Day Service	Hours	49	x	\$ 3.69	\$ 180.81
Social Services	Half-Hours	0	x	\$12.29	\$ 0
Activities		64			N/A
Number of Lyme Volunteers:		<u>8</u>	Number of Volunteer Hours <u>860</u>		
GCSCC cost to provide services for Lyme residents only					\$ 4,210.54
Request for Senior Services for 1996					\$ 500.00
Received from Town of Lyme for 1996					\$ 500.00
Request for Senior Services for 1997					\$ 500.00

NOTES:

1. Unit cost from Audit Report for October 1, 1995 to September 30, 1996.
2. Services were funded by: Federal and State Programs 51%; Municipalities, Grants & Contracts, County and United Way 14%, Contributions 11%, In-Kind donations 20%, other 1%, Friends of GCSCC 2%.

**COMPARATIVE INFORMATION
FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR GCSCC
FISCAL YEARS 1995/1996
OCTOBER 1 - SEPTEMBER 30**

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	<u>FY 1995</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>
Dining Room Meals	\$61,823	\$65,823
Home Delivered Meals	100,938	102,677
Transportation (Trips)	39,655	38,976
Adult Day Service (Hours)	12,155	11,015
Social Services (1/2 Hours)	10,730	9,541

UNITS OF SERVICE COSTS

	<u>FY 1995</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>
Congregate/Home		
Delivered Meals	\$4.33	\$4.91
Transportation (Trips)	5.46	5.46
Adult Day Service	2.71	2.71
Social Services	11.90	12.29

For all units based on Audit Report, October 1, 1995 to September 30, 1996

HEADREST ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

In 1996, Headrest celebrated it's Silver Anniversary, twenty-five years of service to the Upper Valley. Headrest is a comprehensive alcohol and drug treatment facility serving low income people. We offer drug, alcohol counseling and education, to adults and teens, plus consultation and referral to families affected by substance abuse. Our alcohol crisis intervention program allows for overnight lodging, non-medical detox, assessment, and treatment and referral.

Headrest's Shelter Program offers temporary emergency lodging to homeless people referred by local police, hospitals, churches, and mental health centers, as well as transitional shelter for those folks returning to the mainstream from residential treatment programs.

Trained Hotline workers with hundreds of resources at hand have been unceasingly available since 1971 *to inform, educate, and empower individuals and families to improve the quality of their lives.* Understanding, non-judgmental staff and volunteers listen carefully, lending emotional support, information, and referral to callers, 24-hours a day (448-4400). These special folks have expertise in handling crises involving the use of alcohol and drugs. Headrest was awarded re-certification by the American Association of Suicidology in 1996 and will be honored for this achievement at the Annual Meeting of the Association in Memphis in April, 1997.

In addition to Headrest's local (448-HELP) and toll-free Teen Hotline (800/639-6095), education/prevention programs such as *Teens Taking Charge For A World Without AIDS*, *Peer Outreach* and *H.O.P.E.S.*, an alcohol education group, are available to youth, parents, and educators.

In 1996, five Lyme residents received over thirty hours of alcohol and drug abuse counseling and education, while one other was provided fourteen bed nights in Headrest's homeless shelter. Thirty-three Hotline calls were received from callers who identified themselves as Lyme residents. There were 466 calls from callers who would not give their place of residence and we suspect that many of them were Lyme residents.

We wish to thank the residents of Lyme for their ongoing use of our services, their private donations, and for their public support through their annual appropriations.

Ron Michaud, Director

LISTEN COMMUNITY SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

LISTEN'S mission is "To ensure that the Upper Valley residents have the resources that they may become economically independent." We coordinate with the town welfare services to provide immediate assistance through programs like our emergency food pantry and fuel aid. We also work to improve the long-term financial health of households through individual budget counseling.

LISTEN Community Services offers five programs to Lyme residents.

- Housing & Utility Assistance - fuel assistance funds were obtained for thirty-eight Lyme residents. Housing information and referrals were provided for three others.
- Food assistance - fifteen people received emergency food packets.
- Money Management - five people participated in LISTEN budget counseling while six others were given emergency financial aid.
- Child & Family Services - summer camp placements and Holiday Basket Helpers are available to Lyme children. One Lyme household was involved in 1996.
- Thrift Stores - low cost clothing and household goods are available. There is no charge for merchandise to individuals referred by schools, churches, and social service agencies.

Lyme residents may call LISTEN toll free at 1-800-263-1166. We thank you for your support.

Hilde Ojibway, Executive Director

VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC. ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

We are very grateful for the continued support Lyme provides to help VNA meet the home care and hospice needs of its community members. Here are some crucial points to consider regarding the importance of funding VNA programs in your town.

- VNA services are available to persons of all ages and all economic means.
- Hospital discharge planners and attending physicians work closely with VNA to decide a course of treatment for each home health care patient.
- Our VNA staff from the Bradford branch provides skilled services for people who are recovering from surgery, have an acute illness or disability, require long term care, and/or need support and symptom control during a terminal illness.
- Town funds help provide care for people who do not have adequate insurance or the ability to pay.

The following services were provided in the Town of Lyme:

	Visits	
	<u>7/1/95-6/30/96</u>	
Nursing	1,049	
Physical Therapy	176	
Speech Therapy	3	
Occupational Therapy.....	21	
Social Services.....	37	
Home Health Aide.....	1,641	
Homemaker.....	83	
.....	3,010	
Hospice of the Upper Valley Volunteer Program		
Volunteers: Hours	101	hours
Volunteers: Families Served	5	families
Town RN Clinics - Attendance:	54	persons
Flu Clinics - Attendance	99	persons
WIC: 15 children	117	visits

On behalf of the patients and families we serve, thank you for your continuing support.

Elizabeth J. Davis, RN, MPH, Chief Executive Officer

WISE ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE UPPER VALLEY

WISE thanks the people of Lyme for their support in 1996. Eighteen Lyme survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault received assistance during FY 1996. WISE goals include increased community outreach through our youth program, and contact with local businesses. Our client growth has made community support vital for WISE to continue providing all crisis services FREE to clients. No one is ever turned away. WISE is the only agency of its kind in the Upper Valley. Services are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Many people we work with would have nowhere else to turn for legal advocacy, counseling, or other emergency assistance if WISE services were not available.

The Domestic Violence Program provides services to educate women, men, children, and teens of the Upper Valley, that violence does not have to be part of their lives.

Wise also provided non-crisis services such as helping with job problems, finding legal or medical advice, counseling, finding a safe home, helping to obtain restraining orders, and providing transportation.

The main reason WISE can do so much with limited financial resources is because of our dedicated volunteers: 9,500 hours FY 1996.

Our mission statement:

WISE empowers victims of domestic and sexual violence to become safe and self-reliant through crisis intervention and support services. WISE advances social justice through community education, training, and public policy.

Caye Currier, Executive Director

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The Grafton County Commissioners are pleased to submit the following report to the citizens of Grafton County. We hope it will increase your understanding of Grafton County's finances and operations, and assure citizens that their county tax dollars have been expended wisely.

During FY 1996, funds received exceeded the budget by \$895,242.84 for a total of \$16,366,912.84 in actual county revenues. This was primarily due to the receipt of Medicaid Proportionate Share Payment, given by the Federal Government to partially offset the cost of serving a disproportionate share of Medicaid recipients at the County Nursing Home. The over-expenditure was due to the county's payment to the state which allowed us to receive the Medicaid Proportionate Share Payment.

Expenditures for Medical Referee, Dispatch Center, County Jail, Wage & Benefit Adjustment, were over budget, but all other departments were well under their budgeted amounts.

The bottom line for FY 1996 shows that revenues exceeded expenditures by \$568,997.74, leaving the county in a sound financial position at fiscal year end. The commissioners feel extremely proud of this financial picture, which exemplifies good management by all county department heads, both elected and appointed.

Grafton County experienced some major occurrences during FY 1996, some of which were: the formation of the Grafton County Regional Economic Development Council and its Board of Directors; the December hostage situation at the Grafton County Department of Corrections; the Whole Village Family Resource Center, Inc. project was completed with twelve agencies being housed inside the facility in Plymouth; the Grafton County Department of Corrections became a smoke-free facility on January 1, 1996; the E-911 system came on line at the Grafton County Sheriff's Department Dispatch Center in July of 1995; long-time Dietary Supervisor Edna Bowley retired in December. The electronic monitoring program at the Grafton County Department of Corrections continues to grow as well as its new, expanded, Drug Freedom Program, which is funded by a grant through the Attorney General's Office.

All other county departments were extremely busy during FY 1996. The County Treasurer continues to do an excellent job in investing county funds, and investment income exceeded the county budget figure by \$45,797.26. The county attorney performs well in his office and the number of backlogged cases has been reduced drastically. His relationship with local law enforcement agencies has improved the overall operations of that office. Once again, the activity in the Sheriff's Department, through Dispatch, increases with activity yet remains as effective and efficient as always. Carol Elliott, Register of Deeds, and her staff, continue to be

overwhelmed with work, and do an excellent job generating a great deal of revenue for Grafton County and the State of New Hampshire.

For FY 1996, the commissioners concluded with preparation of the FY 1997 county budget, which was adopted by the County Legislative Delegation in late June.

The Grafton County Board of Commissioners holds regular weekly meetings at the County Administration Building on Route 10 just north of the County Courthouse in North Haverhill, with periodic tours of the Nursing Home, Department of Corrections, County Farm, and Courthouse. The commissioners also attend monthly meetings of the Grafton County Executive Committee. All meetings are public, with interested citizens and members of the press encouraged to attend. Call the commissioner's office at 787-6941 to confirm date, time, and schedule.

In closing, we wish to express our appreciation to all staff members, elected officials, other personnel, and the public, for their efforts in serving the citizens of Grafton County.

DISTRICT ONE COUNCILOR'S REPORT

It is an honor to report to you as a member of the New Hampshire Executive Council. The Executive Council is five in number and serves much like a Board of Directors at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government in Concord. We vote on most contracts over \$2,500 to outside agencies, individuals, municipalities, and major permits to use state water. Two hundred sixty-seven unclassified positions as Commissioners and Directors within the Executive Branch of State Government, and the entire Judicial Branch of NH State Government are voted in by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Executive Council. We also vote on gubernatorial nominations of hundreds of citizens to various boards and commissions as prescribed by NH Law.

Anyone desiring further information should write or call our State House Office (listed below).

Citizens in this region should be attentive to several projects:

- 1. The statewide Health Care Council's eighteen month planning project will be coming to conclusion in December of 1997. There are three very active councils in this district. Information can be obtained by calling Commissioner Terry Morton, Department of Health and Human Services, at 1-800-852-3345.

2. The ten year highway planning process will be underway this coming spring and fall. I will be conducting at least three hearings in this district to ascertain regional needs. Information on this project can be obtained by calling Commissioner Leon Kenison, Department of Transportation, at 271-3735.
3. The NH Joint Tourist Promotional Program will, I expect, be funded with at least \$500,000 to be matched by local Chamber of Commerce and tourist groups to promote your region. Information on this program is available from Commissioner Robb Thompson, Department of Resources and Economic Development, at 271-2411.
4. There is approximately \$172,000 waiting to be matched by local economic development promotion dollars from local groups. Information can be obtained on this program from Director Norman Storrs, Economic Development, at 271-2341.
5. There is about \$10 million dollars waiting for applications from local governments for Community Development Block Grants to improve your local town and area. Information on how to apply can be obtained by calling Director Jeff Taylor, Office of State Planning, at 271-2155.
6. Local towns, cities, counties, and eligible organizations should be aware of the large Federal and State Surplus Distribution Programs. The state surplus distribution center is open to the public at White Farm on Clinton Street in Concord, NH, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Further information may be obtained by calling Supervisor Art Haeussler, Surplus Distribution, at 271-2602.
7. Citizens and groups concerned with disabilities should be aware of the large number of services available from the Developmental Disabilities Council by calling Director Alan Robichaud at 271-3236.
8. The Department of Environmental Services, covering water, sewers, air, lakes, and rivers, has available information and financial resources by calling Commissioner Robert Varney or Assistant Commissioner Dana Bisbee at 271-3503.
9. The Department of Health and Human Services, including elderly, mental health, human services, public health, drug and alcohol abuse, are all under Commissioner Terry Morton at 1-800-852-3345.

Our State Government is small, effective, and efficient. It is amazing how many services, technical information, and financial assistance, are available to eligible applicants.

Raymond S. Burton, Councilor

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LYME FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Mother	Name of Father
11-07-95	Korea	Jack San-Ah	Van Taylor	Michael Wilmott
02-05-96	Lebanon	Madeline Jane	Ellen Henderson	Peter Mulvihill
03-13-96	Lebanon	Isaiah Carver	Stephanie Carver	Kenneth Snelling
04-10-96	Lebanon	Philip John Cannon	Margaret Cannon	David Caffry
04-12-96	Lebanon	Molly Elizabeth	Tammy Bailey	Richard Anthony Pippin, Jr.
04-12-96	Lebanon	Randy Bryant	Deborah Raynes	Jeffrey Snelling
04-28-96	Lebanon	Dylan Downing	Kelly Downing	Edward DeRego
05-08-96	Lebanon	Jessie Renee	Shawn Hamilton	Peter Olsen
05-28-96	Lebanon	Jeremiah Ross	Robin Model	Thomas Leonard, Jr.
05-29-96	Lebanon	Tara Ruby	Ammie Thompson	Gary Collins
06-06-96	Lebanon	Liam David	Barbara O'Mara	Michael Hinsley
06-14-96	Lebanon	Russell Charles	Lynda Kosubinsky	Charles LaCour
06-24-96	Lebanon	Gibson Marshall	Pamela French	George Evarts
06-28-96	Lebanon	Hailey Madison	Michele Boutin	Timothy Estes
08-03-96	Lebanon	Natalie Fiona	Sara Nowicki	Stuart Cady, Jr.
08-30-96	Lebanon	Grace Alexander	Martha Boyd	Mark Tecca
10-23-96	Lebanon	Henry Semler	Katherine Semler	Samuel Lardner
11-07-96	Lebanon	Jack Harrison	Julie Johnson	Jack Mohr

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LYME FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name	Name of Mother	Name of Father
01-11-96	Lebanon	Harry E. Sanborn	Grace Perkins	Otis Sanborn
02-15-96	Lyme	Helen Louise Brinson	Hattie Velma Wild	Jesse R. Trull
03-07-96	Lebanon	Susie E. Uline	Eliza Eastman	Louis Cadwell
05-03-96	Lyme	Roy Watson Abbott	Mildred Louise Day	Roy Charles Abbott
08-18-96	Lebanon	Walter L. Record	Ada Olsen	Donald Record
10-28-96	Lyme	Gilbert H. Mudge	Alice Horton	Alfred E. Mudge
11-02-96	Lyme	Elizabeth C. Aulis	Susie Preston	John B. Clogston
12-31-96	Lyme	Gerald Francis Hewes	Lena Camp	Berton F. Hewes

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LYME FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Date	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
03-16-96	Cecil Jay Britch	Lyme, NH
	Lisa M. Avery	Lyme, NH
03-30-96	Paul Sansone	White River Jct, VT
	Mary E. Stevens	White River Jct, VT
05-04-96	Russell Lee Barnes	Lyme, NH
	Beth Taylor	Lyme, NH
07-13-96	Norman C. Murphy	Lyme, NH
	Corrie L. Toffoli	Lebanon, NH
07--27-96	William Mathieu	East Thetford, VT
	Roberta Bailey Lavasser	East Thetford, VT
08-03-96	Ramesh John Rajballie	Canada
	Anna Grace Roberts Bognolo	Lyme, NH
08-17-96	Alfredo Enrique Bezara	Hollis Hills, NY
	Petra Johanna Fette	Hollis Hills, NY
08-24-96	Uri Harel	Thetford Center, VT
	Virginia Lee Wallis	Thetford Center, VT
09-01-96	Robert Scott Meyer	Cape Elizabeth, ME
	Jane Bancroft Stevenson	Cape Elizabeth, ME
11-30-96	George David Hano	Lyme, NH
	Diane Rose Crowley	Lyme, NH

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

		Term Expires
Dale P. (Penny) Breed	Vice-Chair	1997
Thomas Kent		1997
Joshua Kilham		1997
Timothy W. Caldwell	Chair	1998
Carolynne T. Krusi		1998
William B. Weeks	Secretary	1999
Lisa Whitcomb Wilmot		1999

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Treasurer

Anthony G. LaBombard

Moderator

David B. Washburn

Clerk

Jean A. Smith

Deputy Treasurer

Luane Cole

ADMINISTRATION

Joseph Della Badia	Superintendent of Schools
Mary Ellen Gallagher	Assistant Superintendent
William H. Moorman	School Business Manager
Jonathan J. Freeman	Principal

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

MARCH 8, 1997

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

GRAFTON. S.S.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LYME

To the inhabitants of the School District of Lyme, in the County of Grafton, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

NOTE: ELECTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE TIME OF THE ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICERS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 1997.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Lyme Community Gymnasium in Lyme, New Hampshire on Saturday, March 8, 1997, at 9:00 in the morning, to act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-two Dollars (\$68,772.00) to meet expenses for high school tuition during the 1996-97 fiscal year, and authorize the withdrawal of Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-two Dollars (\$68,772.00) from the fund created for that purpose on March 9, 1995, under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c. (The School Board recommends this action. The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will reauthorize the Committee to study the advisability of withdrawing from School Administrative Unit #22 which Committee was originally authorized by vote of the District on January 16, 1997.

ARTICLE 4. (BY PETITION.) Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 194-B implementing a charter and open enrollment school program?

ARTICLE 5. (BY PETITION.) Shall no more than 0 percent of the district's current pupil enrollment be eligible for tuition to attend charter and open enrollment schools located inside the school district?

ARTICLE 6. (BY PETITION.) Shall no more than 0 percent of the district's current pupil enrollment be eligible for the tuition to attend charter and open enrollment schools located outside the school district?

ARTICLE 7. To determine and fix the salaries of School District officers as follows: School District Treasurer \$400.00; School District Clerk \$30.00; School District Moderator \$75.00. (The School Board recommends this action. The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Reserve Fund

established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 8, 1984, under the provisions of RSA 35:1-b to meet the expenses of educating educationally disabled children. (The School Board recommends this action. The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-three Dollars (\$31,273) to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund previously established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 9, 1995. (The School board recommends this action. The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the District will vote to accept the operational budget for the Lyme School District for the 1997-98 fiscal year submitted by the Budget Committee in the amount of Two Million Three Hundred Seventy-six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-three Dollars (\$2,376,163.00), in addition to amounts voted in Article 7 and 8 above, and pass any vote relating thereto. (The School Board recommends this action. The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

ARTICLE 11. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Lyme this Thirteenth day of February, 1997.

Dale P. Breed, Vice Chair	Joshua Kilham
Timothy W. Caldwell, Chair	Carolynne T. Krusi
Thomas Kent	William B. Weeks, Secretary
	Lisa W. Wilmot

School Board,
School District of Lyme

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
MARCH 11, 1997
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

GRAFTON. S.S. SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LYME

To the inhabitants of the School District of Lyme, in the County of Grafton, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Lyme Community Gymnasium in Lyme, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 11, 1997 at 7:00 in the morning, to act on the following subjects.

To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, each to serve one year, and three members of the School Board, each to serve three years.

(Polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and will close no earlier than 7:00 P.M.)

Given under our hands and seals at said Lyme this Thirteenth day of February, 1997.

NOTE: ALL OTHER SCHOOL BUSINESS WILL HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 1997.

Dale P. Breed, Vice Chair
Timothy W. Caldwell, Chair
Thomas Kent

Joshua Kilham
Carolynne T. Krusi
William B. Weeks, Secretary
Lisa W. Wilmot

School Board,
School District of Lyme

**LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES FOR MARCH 7, 1996 MEETING**

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 7, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator David Washburn at the Lyme School.

A motion was made by Tim Caldwell to adjourn the meeting because of the weather to March 14, 1996 at the Lyme School.

The motion was **SECONDED** by Mike Smith and voted in the **AFFIRMATIVE** by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean A. Smith
School District Clerk

**LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES FOR MARCH 12, 1996 MEETING**

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 12, 1996

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, each to serve one year, and two members of the School Board, each to serve three years.

OFFICERS ELECTED

MODERATOR	David B. Washburn
TREASURER	Anthony G. LaBombard
CLERK	Jean A. Smith
SCHOOL BOARD	Bill Weeks
Three years	Lisa Whitcomb Wilmot

ARTICLE 2. To vote on the question "shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Lyme School District?" (INSERTED BY PETITION.)

VOTED IN THE NEGATIVE BY OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

YES 116

NO 324

Respectfully submitted,
Jean A. Smith
School District Clerk

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES FOR MARCH 14, 1996 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by the Moderator David Washburn at the Lyme School.

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Barbara Woodard made the motion that the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other officers heretofore chosen be accepted, and pass any vote relating thereto.

SECONDED

THE MOTION WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 2. Should the Lyme School Board form a committee of citizens whose purpose will be to explore options available to the Lyme School District for the education of resident students in grades 9-12?

Freda Swan made the motion that the Lyme School Board form a committee of citizens whose purpose will be to explore options available to the Lyme School District for the education of resident students in grades 9-12.

An AMENDMENT was made by Ross McIntyre and SECONDED to add "...and report to the annual Lyme School District meeting in 1997."

THE AMENDMENT WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) as a deficit appropriation, in addition to the 1995-96 appropriation for the purpose of meeting unanticipated special education expenses, such sum to be made available to the District prior to June 30, 1996.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Mike Smith made the motion that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) as a deficit appropriation, in addition to the 1995-96 appropriation for the purpose of meeting unanticipated special education expenses, such sum to be made available to the District prior to June 30, 1996.

SECONDED

An AMENDMENT was made by School Board member, Joshua Kilham, and SECONDED to increase the amount to \$5000.00.

THE AMENDMENT WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$113,449.00) to meet expenses for high school tuition during the 1995-96 fiscal year and authorize the withdrawal of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$113,449.00) from the fund created for that purpose on March 9, 1995 under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Mike Smith made the motion that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$113,449.00) to meet expenses for high school tuition during the 1995-96 fiscal year and authorize the withdrawal of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$113,449.00) from the fund created for that purpose on March 9, 1995 under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c.

SECONDED

An AMENDMENT was made by School Board member, Tom Kent, and SECONDED to change the amount to \$113,604.00.

THE AMENDMENT WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Reserve Fund established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 8, 1984, under the provisions of RSA 35:1-b to meet the expenses of educating educationally disabled children.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Everett Rich made the motion that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Reserve Fund established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 8, 1984, under the provisions of RSA 35:1-b to meet the expenses of educating educationally disabled children.

SECONDED

THE MOTION WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the District will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Maintenance of School Buildings, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in this fund.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Manton Copeland made the motion that the District vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Maintenance of School Buildings, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in this fund.

SECONDED

THE MOTION WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-one Dollars (\$102,281.00) to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 9, 1995.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Delores Drew made the motion that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-one Dollars (\$102,281.00) to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 9, 1995.

SECONDED

THE MOTION WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement between the Lyme School Board and the Lyme Education Association for school years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and agree to be legally bound to pay such cost items for both years of the agreement, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>% INCREASE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT</u>
1996-97	2.9%	\$21,600
1997-98	3.3%	\$24,800

Dave Hewitt made the motion that the District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement between the Lyme School Board and the Lyme Education Association for school years 1996-

97 and 1997-98, and agree to be legally bound to pay such cost items for both years of the agreement, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>% INCREASE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT</u>
1996-97	2.9%	\$21,600
1997-98	3.3%	\$24,800

SECONDED

THE MOTION WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the District will vote to approve a 2.6% salary increase pool for non-bargaining unit personnel (principal, secretary, nurse, custodians, and educational assistants), and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand One Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$4,160) for this purpose.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Paula Pomeroy made the motion that the District vote to approve a 2.6% salary increase pool for non-bargaining unit personnel (principal, secretary, nurse, custodians, and educational assistants), and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand One Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$4,160) for this purpose.

SECONDED

THE MOTION WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the District will vote to accept the operational budget for the Lyme School District for the 1996-97 fiscal year submitted by the Budget Committee in the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred Four Dollars (\$2,214,804.00) in addition to amounts voted in Articles 5, 6; 7, 8, and 9 above, and pass any vote relating thereto.

(The School Board recommends this action.)

(The Budget Committee recommends this action.)

Mike Smith made the motion that the District vote to accept the operational budget for the Lyme School District for the 1996-97 fiscal year submitted by the Budget Committee in the amount of Two Million Three Hundred Forty-two Thousand Five Hundred Forty Dollars (\$2,342,540.00) which includes Articles 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 above, and pass any vote relating thereto.

SECONDED

An AMENDMENT was made by Alix Howell and SECONDED to change the amount on line #10 of the budget from \$5550 to \$11,100 to maintain the present half-time position of the Computer Coordinator.

THE AMENDMENT WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY PAPER BALLOT.

YES 45

NO 43

THE MOTION AS AMENDED TO \$2,348,090.00 WAS PASSED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 11. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Freda Swan asked for a sense of the meeting to see if the School Board would hold the annual School District Meeting on a Saturday, the same day as Town Meeting with child care, rides for those without transportation, and a community lunch between meetings.

The majority was in favor of this suggestion.

The Moderator asked for a round of applause for the two members of the School Board, Joanne Coburn and Richard Vargo, who were retiring and introduced the two new members, Bill Weeks and Lisa Whitcomb Wilmot.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean A. Smith,
School District Clerk

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT
REVENUE BUDGET ESTIMATE

CATEGORY	1995/96 TOTAL YEAR ACTUAL	1996/97 ORIGINAL ESTIMATE	1996/97 REVISED ESTIMATE	TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (SCHOOL BOARD)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (BUDGET COMM.)
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Balance Carry-Forward	9,960	0	23,507	23,507	20,000	20,000
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Local Sources:

Tax Appropriation	2,248,690	2,319,185	2,285,190	2,285,190	2,335,081	2,345,081
Deficit Appropriation	5,000	0	0	0	0	0
Special Educ. Reserve Incom	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuition	0	0	0	0	0	0
Checking Acct Interest	1,337	1,200	1,200	1,693	1,200	1,200
Trust Fund Income	1,520	1,100	1,100	1,500	1,500	1,500
Rent & Misc.	5,851	0	0	5,706	0	0

Total Local Sources

	2,262,398	2,321,485	2,310,997	2,317,596	2,337,781	2,347,781
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State Sources:

Foundation Aid	0	0	0	0	0	0
Building Aid	22,605	22,605	22,605	22,605	22,605	22,605
Catastrophic Aid	3,788	4,000	3,838	3,838	0	0
Vo Tech Tuition/Transport	0	0	10,650	10,650	22,050	22,050
Kindergarten Aid		0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0

Total State Sources

	26,393	26,605	37,093	37,093	44,655	44,655
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LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT
REVENUE BUDGET ESTIMATE

CATEGORY	1995/96 TOTAL YEAR ACTUAL	1996/97 ORIGINAL ESTIMATE	1996/97 REVISED ESTIMATE	TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (SCHOOL BOARD)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (BUDGET COMM.)
Federal Sources:						
Impact Aid - PL 874	1,446	0	0	0	0	0
Medicaid Reimbursements	7,895	0	0	0	0	0
Dept. of Agric. Grant	424	0	0	0	0	0
Total Federal Sources	9,765	0	0	0	0	0
GRAND TOTAL	2,308,516	2,348,090	2,348,090	2,354,689	2,402,436	2,412,436

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT
1997/98 DETAILED
EXPENDITURE BUDGET

DESCRIPTION	1995/96 ACTUAL	1996/97 APPROVED BUDGET	1996/97 REVISED BUDGET	1996/97 TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (School Board)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (Budget Comm)
REGULAR ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION:						
Teacher Salaries - Instructional	563,704	596,198	596,198	584,262	607,292	607,292
Ed Asst Salaries - Instructional	12,853	14,945	14,945	11,535	17,871	17,871
Sabbatical Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Substitutes	3,353	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
Tutors	0	0	0	0	0	5,000
Instructional Supplies	19,937	27,091	27,781	27,528	28,000	28,000
Textbooks	3,787	6,600	5,700	5,958	11,325	11,325
Enrichment Programs	2,394	2,000	2,000	2,010	2,500	2,500
Equipment	1,407	0	0	0	7,120	7,120
Computer Coordinator	5,550	11,100	11,100	11,040	13,650	13,650
Other	5,902	6,855	6,855	6,606	7,850	7,850
TOTAL REGULAR ELEM. INST.	618,887	668,989	668,779	653,139	699,808	704,808
TUITION:						
High School Tuition	655,689	627,719	627,719	661,228	718,727	718,727
High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fun	46,396	102,281	102,281	68,772	31,273	31,273
TOTAL TUITION	702,085	730,000	730,000	730,000	750,000	750,000

DESCRIPTION	1995/96 ACTUAL	1996/97 APPROVED BUDGET	1996/97 REVISED BUDGET	1996/97 TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (School Board)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (Budget Comm)
SPECIAL EDUCATION:						
Teacher Salaries - Special Ed	61,481	67,014	67,014	63,260	69,923	69,923
Ed Asst Salaries - Special Ed	23,795	21,957	21,957	26,280	24,567	24,567
Speech Salaries	6,867	7,105	7,105	6,820	9,302	9,302
Contracted Special Ed Services:						
Psychological Services	13,997	16,920	16,920	12,100	14,500	14,500
Physical Therapy	3,060	3,420	3,420	326	2,000	2,000
Contracted Special Ed Services continued:						
Speech Therapy	5,515	3,000	3,000	3,310	3,000	3,000
Occupational Therapy	11,152	11,487	11,487	11,678	11,830	11,830
Extended Year Program	4,803	5,000	5,000	2,508	5,000	5,000
Other	1,085	0	0	965	0	0
Subtotal Contracted Services	39,612	39,827	39,827	30,887	36,330	36,330
Special Ed Tuition	61,290	60,110	60,110	58,084	51,048	51,048
Tuition Reserve Account	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	5,000
Other Special Ed Expenses	2,799	2,200	2,200	2,209	2,500	2,500
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	200,844	203,213	203,213	192,540	193,670	198,670

DESCRIPTION	1995/96 ACTUAL	1996/97 APPROVED BUDGET	1996/97 REVISED BUDGET	1996/97 TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (School Board)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (Budget Comm)
ANCILLARY SERVICES:						
Co-curricular Activities	3,742	900	900	1,135	900	900
Guidance Services	19,351	19,743	19,743	19,661	19,922	19,922
Health Services	12,613	12,628	13,628	13,580	14,007	14,007
Staff & Curriculum Development	10,396	8,975	8,975	20,246	17,387	17,387
Library Expenses:						
Town Library Expenses	14,990	15,634	15,634	15,634	16,505	16,505
School Library Expenses	1,049	2,120	2,330	2,326	3,100	3,100
Subtotal Library	16,039	17,754	17,964	17,960	19,605	19,605
TOTAL ANCILLARY SERVICES	62,141	60,000	61,210	72,582	71,821	71,821
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION:						
SAU Central Office Assessment	71,977	78,074	78,074	78,074	75,947	75,947
Legal Fees	4,213	2,500	2,500	2,138	2,500	2,500
Other District Admin Expenses	5,528	6,758	6,758	6,479	6,355	6,355
TOTAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION	81,718	87,332	87,332	86,691	84,802	84,802
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION:						
Principal's Salary	50,200	50,225	50,585	51,030	49,171	49,171
Secretary's Salary	21,999	21,967	22,667	22,669	23,067	23,067

DESCRIPTION	1995/96 ACTUAL	1996/97 APPROVED BUDGET	1996/97 REVISED BUDGET	1996/97 TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (School Board)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (Budget Comm)
Postage, Printing, Office Supplies	1,704	3,050	3,050	2,996	3,400	3,400
Telephone	3,518	4,000	4,000	3,600	3,800	3,800
Other School Admin. Expenses	3,571	3,900	3,900	3,567	4,775	4,775
Salary Increase Pool	0	4,160	0	0	4,530	4,530
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	80,992	87,302	84,202	83,862	88,743	88,743

FRINGE BENEFITS:

Medical Insurance	63,434	68,299	68,299	68,289	73,287	73,287
Dental Insurance	8,865	9,277	9,277	8,063	7,533	7,533
Life Insurance	1,132	1,732	1,732	1,755	1,867	1,867
FICA	62,081	65,335	65,335	64,773	68,150	68,150
Workers' Comp	5,586	4,476	4,476	8,396	8,733	8,733
Disability Insurance	517	581	581	697	735	735
Retirement	14,703	18,548	18,548	16,316	19,708	19,708
Unemployment	1,402	1,935	1,935	2,036	1,637	1,637

TOTAL FRINGE BENEFITS	157,720	170,183	170,183	170,325	181,650	181,650
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CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE:

Custodial Salaries	39,358	40,516	42,616	40,698	41,152	41,152
Contracted Maintenance Services	7,318	12,000	12,000	12,401	12,000	12,000
Property/Liability Insurance	5,665	6,400	6,400	7,110	6,200	6,200
Electricity	18,569	18,500	18,500	18,600	19,500	19,500
Heat	6,453	10,000	10,000	8,000	8,500	8,500

DESCRIPTION	1995/96 ACTUAL	1996/97 APPROVED BUDGET	1996/97 REVISED BUDGET	1996/97 TOTAL YEAR ESTIMATE	1997/98 PROPOSAL (School Board)	1997/98 PROPOSAL (Budget Comm)
Trash Hauling	1,667	1,300	1,300	1,544	1,500	1,500
Supplies	9,104	9,500	9,500	9,318	9,500	9,500
Equipment	2,397	2,000	2,000	1,900	1,200	1,200
Grounds Maintenance	135	400	400	425	600	600
TOTAL CUSTODIAL/MAINT. EXPENSE	90,666	100,616	102,716	99,996	100,152	100,152
PUPIL TRANSPORTION:						
Regular School Bus Routes	58,090	61,900	61,900	60,400	65,100	65,100
School Bus Gasoline	2,983	3,000	3,000	2,957	3,000	3,000
Special Ed Transportation	12,151	12,000	12,000	3,684	4,000	4,000
Field Trips	880	1,200	1,200	1,471	2,000	2,000
TOTAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	74,104	78,100	78,100	68,512	74,100	74,100
OTHER BUILDINGS & SERVICE:						
Site & Building Improvements	43,699	5,000	5,000	20,000	5,000	5,000
Debt Service	165,044	152,355	152,355	152,355	147,690	147,690
Food Service	7,109	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
TOTAL OTHER BLDGS & SERVICE	215,852	162,355	162,355	177,355	157,690	157,690
GRAND TOTAL	2,285,009	2,348,090	2,348,090	2,335,002	2,402,436	2,412,436

1997-1998 Budget of the School District of Lyme - Revenues - MS-27

Acct. No.	Source of Revenue	Warr . Art. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES					
3110	Foundation Aid				
3210	School Building Aid		22,605	22,605	22,605
3220	Area Vocational School			10,650	22,050
3230	Driver Education				
3240	Catastrophic Aid		3,788	3,838	
3250	Adult Education				
3270	Child Nutrition				
	Kindergarten Aid				
	Other State Aid (Specify)				
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES					
441	ECIA, Chapter I & II				
4430	Vocational Education				
4450	Adult Education				
4460	Child Nutrition Programs				
4470	Handicapped Programs				
	Federal Forest Land		424		
	Other Federal Sources (identify)				
	*Impact Aid		1,446		
	*Medicaid		7,895		
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES					
5100	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5230	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund				
5250	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund			113,604	
5255	Transfer from Expendable Trust Fund				
1300-136	Tuition				
1500-159	Earnings on Investments		2,857	2,300	2,700
1700-179	Public Activities		379		
1900-199	Other Local Sources (identify)				
1900	Sale from Food Services				
	Refunds		5,472		
	Fund Balance Remaining as Revenue		9,960	23,507	20,000

This section for calculation of reimbursement anticipation notes (RAN) per RSA 198-D for Catastrophic Aid borrowing					
RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less					
RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =					
NET RAN _____					
Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)					
Appropriations Voted from "Surplus"					
"Surplus" Used in Prior Years to Reduce Taxes					
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			\$ 54,826	\$ 176,504	\$ 67,355

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LYME

MS-27

YEAR 1997-1998

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/95 To 6/30/96	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)								
1100-1199	Regular Programs	10	1,274,576	1,410,312	1,418,535		1,423,535	
1200-1299	Special Programs	10	195,844	198,213	193,670		193,670	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs							
1400-1499	Other Instructional Programs	10	3,742	900	900		900	
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education							
SUPPORT SERVICES (2100-2999)								
Pupil Services								
2110-2119	Attendance & Social Work							
2120-2129	Guidance	10	19,351	19,743	19,922		19,922	
2130-2139	Health	10	12,613	12,628	14,007		14,007	
2140-2149	Psychological							
2150-2159	Speech Pathology & Audiology							
2190-2199	Other Pupil Services							
Instructional Staff Services								
2210-2219	Improvement of Instruction	10	10,396	8,975	17,387		17,387	
2220-2229	Educational Media	10	16,039	17,754	19,605		19,605	
2290-2299	Other Instructional Staff Services							

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/95 To 6/30/96	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
General Administration								
2310	School Board							
2310	870 Contingency							
2310-2319	All Other Objects	10 & 7	7,462	6,608	6,705		6,705	
Office of Superintendent								
2320	351 SAU Management Services	10	71,977	78,074	75,947		75,947	
2320-2329	All Other Objects							
2330-2339	Special Area Administration Services							
	Other General Administration		2,279	2,650	2,150		2,150	
2390-2399	Services	10						
2400-2499 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES								
		10	238,712	257,485	270,393		270,393	
2500-2999 BUSINESS SERVICES								
2520-2529	Fiscal							
2540-2549	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	10	90,666	100,616	100,152		100,152	
2550-2559	Pupil Transportation	10	74,104	78,100	74,100		74,100	
2570-2579	Procurement							
2590-2599	Other Business Services	10	7,109	5,000	5,000		5,000	
2600-2699	Managerial Services							
2900-2999	Other Support Services							
3000-3999 COMMUNITY SERVICES								
4000-4999 FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION								
		10	43,699	5,000	5,000		5,000	

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/95 To 6/30/96	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
5000 OTHER OUTLAYS								
5100 830	Debt Service - Principal	10	75,100	75,000	75,000		75,000	
5100 840	Debt Service - Interest	10	89,944	77,355	72,690		72,690	
Fund Transfers								
5220	To Federal Projects Fund							
5230	To Capital Projects Fund							
5240	To Food Service Fund							
5241-5249	To Special Revenue Funds (Including Revolving Funds							
5250-5254	To Capital Reserve Fund							
5255	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
5256-5259	To Other Trust Funds	8 & 9	51,396	112,281	31,273		36,273	(5,000)
	SUBTOTAL 1		2,285,009	2,466,694	2,402,436		2,412,436	

Please note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed on the following page.
Examples of individual warrant articles include:

- 1) ratification of negotiated cost items for multiple year labor agreements;
- 2) contingency appropriations;
- 3) supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; and
- 4) deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/95 To 6/30/96	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES								
1122	Deficit Appropriation		45,000	5,000				
	Various Contract Settlement		32,200	11,295				
	Various Nonunion Pay Raises			4,160				

2320-351	SAU Management Services		71,976						
1100	Technology Coordinator				5,500				
	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended								

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as

- 1) petitioned warrant articles;
- 2) an article whose appropriation is raised by bonds or notes;
- 3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to the law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; and
- 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special warrant article such as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/95 To 6/30/96	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Appropriations For Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES								
1100	Technology Coordinator		5,550					
5256	Reserve Funds - Tuition	9	113,604	102,281	31,273		31,273	
5256	Reserve Funds - Special Educatio	8	5,000	5,000			5,000	
5256	Reserve Funds - Maintenance			5,000				
4000	Boiler Replacement		43,000					
	SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended				31,273		36,273	

BUDGET SUMMARY (97-98)			SCHOOL BOARD	BUDGET COMMITTEE
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from Page 3)			2,402,436	2,412,436
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles Recommended (from above)			N.A.	N.A.
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles Recommended (from above)			Included above	Included above
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended			2,402,436	2,412,436
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes)			67,355	67,355
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised For School District Assessment			2,335,081	2,345,081

Note: We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct No.	W.A. No.	Amount	Acct. No.	W.A. No.	Amount
2310-2319	10	6,200			
2310-2319	7	505			
5256-5259	8	5,000			
5256-5259	9	31,273			

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To The Board

Lyme School District

Lyme, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Lyme School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Lyme School District management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Lyme School District as of June 30, 1996, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The individual and combining fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Lyme School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

GRZELAK AND COMPANY, P.C., CPA's

August 12, 1996

Schedule 1

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Schedule of General Fund Revenues and Other Financing Sources - Estimated and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 1996**

	Current Year Estimate			Actual	Variance
	Original Estimate	Changes (Net)	Final Estimate		Favorable or (Unfavorable)
REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT					
District Assessment	2,281,287	0	2,281,287	2,248,690	(32,597)
Deficit Appropriation	0	0	0	5,000	5,000
	2,281,287	0	2,281,287	2,253,690	(27,597)
TUITION					
Regular Day School	0	0	0	0	0
Special Education	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER LOCAL REVENUE					
Earnings on Investments	1,200	0	1,200	1,337	137
Trust Fund Income	1,100	0	1,100	1,520	420
Other Local Sources	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	5,851	5,851
	2,300	0	2,300	8,708	6,408

REVENUES AND OTHER
FINANCING SOURCES

INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES

	Current Year Estimate			Actual	Variance
	Original Estimate	Changes (Net)	Final Estimate		Favorable or (Unfavorable)
Foundation Aid	0	0	0	0	0
School Building Aid	22,605	0	22,605	22,605	0
Catastrophic Aid	5,403	0	5,403	3,788	(1,615)
Other	0	0	0	9,765	9,765
	28,008	0	28,008	36,158	8,150

REVENUE FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

Other	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

From Special Revenue Funds	0	0	0	0	0
From Capital Projects Funds	0	0	0	0	0
From Capital Reserve Funds	29,000	0	29,000	113,604	84,604
From Trust and Agency Funds	0	0	0	0	0
	29,000	0	29,000	113,604	84,604

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

	Current Year Estimate			Actual	Variance
	Original Estimate	Changes (Net)	Final Estimate		
REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	2,340,595	0	2,340,595	2,412,160	71,565
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE USED TO REDUCE TAXES	9,959				
TOTAL REVENUES, OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND USE OF FUND BALANCE	2,350,554				

Schedule 2
LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of General Fund Expenditures and Other Financing Uses - Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 1996

	Beginning Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Budget Voted	Transfers (Net)	Current Year Budget Budget Total	Ending Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Actual	Variance Favorable or (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES							
INSTRUCTION							
Regular Programs	0	1,154,697	0	1,154,697	0	1,272,959	(118,262)
Special Programs	0	207,577	0	207,577	0	195,844	11,733
Vocational Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Instructional Programs	0	4,680	0	4,680	0	3,742	938
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	1,366,954	0	1,366,954	0	1,472,545	(105,591)
PUPIL SERVICES							
Guidance	0	19,435	0	19,435	0	19,351	84
Health	0	13,151	0	13,151	0	12,613	538
Psychological	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Speech Pathology & Audiology	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Pupil Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	32,586	0	32,586	0	31,964	622
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF SERVICES							
Improvement of Instruction	0	8,975	0	8,975	0	10,396	(1,421)
Educational Media	0	17,340	0	17,340	0	16,039	1,301
Other Instructional Staff Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	26,315	0	26,315	0	26,435	(120)

	Beginning Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Current Year Budget			Ending Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Actual	Variance Favorable or (Unfavorable)
		Budget Voted	Transfers (Net)	Budget Total			
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES							
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION							
School Board	0	0	0	0	0	9,741	(9,741)
Contingency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Office of the Superintendent	0	78,628	0	78,628	0	71,977	6,651
Special Area Administrative Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other General Administrative Services	0	1,800	0	1,800	0	0	1,800
	0	80,428	0	80,428	0	81,718	(1,290)
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION SERVICES							
Administration	0	249,708	0	249,708	0	238,712	10,996
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	249,708	0	249,708	0	238,712	10,996
BUSINESS SERVICES							
Fiscal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	0	139,189	0	139,189	0	90,666	48,523
Pupil Transportation	0	75,430	0	75,430	0	74,103	1,327
Procurement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Business Services	0	5,000	0	5,000	0	7,109	(2,109)
	0	219,619	0	219,619	0	171,878	47,741
MANAGERIAL SERVICES							
Administration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Beginning Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Current Year Budget			Ending Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Actual	Variance Favorable or (Unfavorable)
	Budget Voted	Transfers (Net)	Budget Total				
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES							
OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES							
Support	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COMMUNITY SERVICES							
Community Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCT.							
Facilities Acquisition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	43,699	1,301
	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	43,699	1,301
OTHER OUTLAYS							
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEBT SERVICE							
Principal on Long Term Debt	0	75,000	0	75,000	0	75,100	(100)
Interest on Long Term Debt	0	89,944	0	89,944	0	89,944	0
Interest on Notes Payable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Debt Service Charges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	164,944	0	164,944	0	165,044	(100)

EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	Beginning Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Current Year Budget			Ending Reserve Items (Expenditures Only)	Actual	Variance (Favorable or Unfavorable)
		Budget Voted	Transfers (Net)	Budget Total			
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT							
To Special Revenue Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
To Capital Project Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
To Proprietary Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
To Capital Reserve Funds	0	165,000	0	165,000	0	165,000	0
To Trust & Agency Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	165,000	0	165,000	0	165,000	0
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS							
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	0	2,350,554	0	2,350,554	0	2,396,995	(46,441)

LYME SCHOOL BOARD ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

At the last district meeting the Town directed the School Board to establish a School Board Advisory Committee to study the Town's options for educating our high school students. An Advisory Committee made up of a variety of community members was created and during the course of the summer and early fall it pursued its' charge. The Committee met with administrators and boards of area high schools, received public input and, at a Special District Meeting in October, presented its findings to the community. Among the Committee's findings were that while the Town wants to maintain "choice" for its students, that option may not be available in the long term. In response to the Advisory Committee's work, the School Board created a High School Subcommittee which continues to pursue discussions with area high schools. There remains much work to be done on this issue.

At a Special District Meeting held pursuant to a newly enacted law dealing with supervisory unions, the District voted to establish a "Study Committee" to study the question of whether the District should withdraw from SAU 22. The other New Hampshire Districts of SAU 22 have taken this step as well. The Committee, made up of two members of the school board, one member of the Budget Committee, and four members of the community chosen by the District Moderator, is charged with studying the question and making a recommendation to the district at a future Special District Meeting. At that time it is expected that the District will vote on the Committee's recommendation.

The Board continues to focus on academic excellence and challenging all of our students. Curriculum review and development is ongoing, with Phase III of that process beginning in the current year.

Finally, the Board values input from all members of the community and encourages everyone to attend its meetings.

SCHOOL BOARD

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LYME

Tim Caldwell, Chair
Penny Breed, Vice-Chair
William Weeks, Secretary

Joshua Kilham
Carolynne Krusi
Lisa Wilmot
Thomas Kent

PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

Our theme this year is *The Renaissance*. This great age of exploration and discovery provides a wonderful umbrella for many new and exciting learning opportunities for all of our students. These activities began with a dress-up day in the fall. They will culminate with multi-age activity projects and a Beethoven assembly in the spring.

Two very broad goals we are focusing on are excellence in academic achievement and character development. In the area of character development we are working on one trait per month.

In the spring of 1996 we completed Phase II (all content areas) of our curriculum review. In January, 1997, we entered into the final stage, Phase III of our curriculum review plan. This year we'll be putting our latest efforts into the area of social studies and mathematics. The proposed budget for 1997-98 continues to show significant investments for continuation of the implementation Phase II and III.

Our computer technology program continues to develop. A \$5000 grant that has updated our technology equipment. Many of our classroom and lab computers are now hooked up to the world-wide web. We offered several adult education courses this year.

For the first time we have sent a staff team (3 teachers and principal) to the Skillful Teacher Institute, a 7 day intensive program focusing on the skills needed to be outstanding teacher.

The PTO has reorganized into 'Friends of Lyme School' with a mission to support and enrich the educational environment of Lyme children. They meet the first Monday of the month. Thanks to the hard work of many on last year's PTO Variety Show, we have purchased a new sound system for the community meeting room/gym. We'd like to thank everyone for their efforts and support that made this become a reality.

Lyme School sponsored a community forum concerning gender equity and a forum focused on school and community partnerships.

We now have a Lyme School parent/student handbook. This year the middle school implemented a new computerized grading system that allows teachers to give detailed progress reports to students and parents whenever requested.

Lyme School hosted Miki Sawada, an intern from Japan from October to February. She enriched the activities for each grade level culminating in a Japanese Festival held in February.

Following are two groups of graduates who will be recognized in June.

Jon Freeman, Principal

1997 LYME SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES

Morton Bailey

Benjamin Balch

Ariel Brewster

Sarah Burton

Emily Colgan

Garrett Cullenberg

Cole Cutting

Will Gray

Molly Henderson

Jennifer Keiling

Sean Kellem

Adrienne LaBombard

Courtney Leeming

Allison Malcolm

Brandon Mason

Kate Mason

Megan Moore

Ryan Saunders

Ryan Small

Cassandra Stearns

Anna Super

Kate Webb

Leon Webb

1997 LYME SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Hanover

Tina Balch

Jason Chin

Vanessa Kalter-Long

Colin Kern

Cullen Knights

Adam Krusi-Thom (1996)

Jessica Laro

Orin Pacht

Braelin Pantel

Ian Pushee

Harriet VanVleck

Korry Vargo

Orford

Angela Beaupre

Richard Drew

Patience Farnham

Aaron Rich

Doris Stearns

Thetford

Steven Southworth

John Thebodo

Hartford

Cally Woodard

Elizabeth Bailey

Derek McCord

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT 1996 GRADUATES

Kate Ackerson

Heather Anderson

Brandi Ash

Rebecca Ball

Andrew Corrette

Charles DeVaux

Steve Dolph

Travis Doughty

Nathaniel Fisher

Alex Gorman

Keri Hewes

Elizabeth Kalter-Long

Jesse Mehrbach

Ned Mulligan

Sheana Pickard

Kevin Pushee

Emelia Smallidge

Abigail Smith

Sarah Southworth

Crystal Stearns

Bobby Thebodo

James Trowbridge

Matthew West

Tobin Whitman

Chelsea Woodard



LYME HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1996

Hanover High School	56
Orford High School	14
Hartford High School	9
Thetford Academy	8
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TOTAL	87

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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 22 REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENTS 1996-97

District Assessments	Percent	Amount
Hanover	23.571	\$189,467
Norwich	17.340	139,381
Dresden	41.510	333,663
Lyme	9.713	78,074
Orford	7.866	63,228
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Total	100.000	803,813
Revenues From Other Sources		5,131
<u>SAU 22 OPERATING BUDGET</u>		<u>\$808,944</u>

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

AS OF JANUARY 1, 1997

Lynn M. Bischoff	Grade 4
Marcia L. Campbell	Grade 2
Bonnie L. Cornell	Grades 5 & 6
Lisa M. Damren	Physical Education, Grades K-8
Steven R. Dayno	Grade 3
Maureen W. Doyle	French, Grades 7 & 8
Thomas J. Estill	Science, Grades 5-8
Sandra H. Fitzpatrick	Language Arts & Social Studies, Grades 5 & 6
Frances Gardent	Art, Grades K-8
Carolyn B. Keck	Music
William T. Keck	Instrumental Music
M. Amos Kornfeld	Language Arts & Social Studies, Grades 7 & 8
John F. Liss	Mathematics, Grades 5-8
Brigitte Mosenthal	French, Grades 5 & 6
Kathleen K. Ragonese	Kindergarten
Kathryn J. Rice	Learning Specialist
Karen Strickland	School Psychologist
Helen D. Skelly	Algebra & Guidance
Rita Tingle	Reading Specialist
Elaine M. White	Learning Specialist
Jennifer J. Wilcox	Grade 1
Barbara J. Zerega	Grade 1
Medical Staff	
Janet Papirmeister	Nurse
Robert Rufsvold, M.D.	Doctor

LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPARATIVE YEARLY ENROLLMENTS

For October First Of Each Year

YEAR	KIND	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	SPEC	TOTAL
1985	17	22	17	15	13	11	12	17	16	30	19	17	15	3	224
1986	23	18	23	14	16	16	11	11	17	16	31	22	20	3	241
1987	26	24	17	21	16	17	15	15	11	19	17	33	21	4	256
1988	22	29	25	18	23	19	17	17	14	11	19	18	28	4	264
1989	19	28	27	23	17	26	19	20	14	15	10	16	21	3	258
1990	25	20	26	25	20	16	24	19	20	14	17	8	17	4	255
1991	21	28	19	24	24	21	15	22	20	16	15	17	11	2	255
1992	21	24	29	25	24	23	23	16	25	19	17	14	21	2	283
1993	20	20	25	31	17	21	25	21	17	24	18	16	14	1	270
1994	14	16	22	24	33	17	21	24	27	17	25	19	18	5	282
1995	30	16	21	23	25	33	16	20	25	22	18	24	18	4	295
1996	15	32	18	22	24	23	32	16	23	25	18	23	21	3	295

Cover Photo courtesy of John Franklin and Rebecca Franklin.

John Franklin's father, Harry P. Franklin, had this photograph among his personal effects. The handwriting on the back of the photo says:

"Lyme's First Road Machine. Theodore Wise guiding machine."



This is a photo of Lyme's "new road machine" of 1996. The Lyme Highway Department is standing in front of the new John Deere road grader. They are from left to right, Mark Hewes, Russell Stearns, Robert Wilmot and Fred Stearns, III, Road Agent. The photograph was taken in the fall of 1996 beside Post Pond.

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